

OutWrite

page 4

Hate Crimes

page 6

Tales of Hoffman

page 17

Ernie Brown

Extra 11

MURDER

by M.R. Richards
OF MGW STAFF

Sacramento, CA -- Sacramento's gay and lesbian community reacted in shock, grief and anger at the Thursday, March 7 hate crime/murder of Vincent J. Blades, 24, a newcomer to this city from Reno, Nevada.

Blades, a part-time bartender and waiter at Joseph's Town and Country, a lesbian/gay show bar, was having a night out with a friend, Don Alger, 22. The two men had just left the Western bar on 20th and K Streets in the city's "Lavender Heights" district and were heading home when they were accosted by two men and a woman who had been observed making derogatory remarks and harassing patrons going in to the area's gay bars.

It was about 10:15 p.m. when the trio began calling the Blades and Alger names and jeering at them, calling them "faggots," Alger said

Blades began talking back to them and one of the attackers threw a punch. Alger stepped forward to intervene and was knocked to the ground. He wrestled the man and was holding him down on the ground when he was knocked off by the woman, which hurt Alger's leg and allowed the man to get up and run away. Blades pursued the man across the street and was stabbed.

The man and his companions ran away as Blades lay dying. Alger gave him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation -- police and fire units responded to a 911 call they received at 10:27 p.m. and one hour later Vincent Blades was declared dead at the University of California at Davis Medical Center.

Alger was placed in protective custody and composite drawings were made of the suspects. By 2 p.m. on Friday, police delivered the composites to the Lambda Community Center and people in the

See MURDER on page 3



Photo by Pamela Coffey
Mayor Anne Rudin addresses the community at Vincent Blades' memorial services.

farewell

Vincent Joseph Blades

Vincent Joseph Blades, 24, died, the victim of a hate crime, on the night of March 7, 1991. He was born on December 27, 1966 in New York City, the son of Stephen and Evelyn Ramirez-Blades.

Vincent was a resident of Pelham Manor, New York for 13 years and graduated from Pelham Memorial High School in 1984. He attended Westchester Community College in Valhalla, New York.

Vincent was a computer operator and had

moved to Reno, Nevada two years ago where he was active in Court events. He moved to Sacramento in February of this year.

His funeral will be held in the church of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Pelham Manor -- where he was a parishioner for many years.

Vincent is survived by his mother and step-father Evelyn and Eric Blades-Clinson and his brother, Stephen. He was preceded in death by his father, Stephen.

He is also survived by his lover, Ron Thompson, his friend Don Alger and many loving friends who were his family. ▼

Woman sprayed with extinguisher

by Jim Walker
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

A Sacramento woman and her partner leaving Faces bar were allegedly sprayed with a fire extinguisher by four men in a passing car on February 17 about 10:45pm.

After breathing in the white substance, both Rhonda Turner and her partner Laurie sought emergency treatment at Sutter General Hospital. According to Turner, doctors found no permanent damage and identified their conditions as "severe respiratory distress."

Later that night, Turner said in an MGW interview that she went back

to Faces and reported what had happened to a doorman.

"We are really not being taken care of. The gay community supports this bar and nothing is being done to protect us from violence like this," said Turner.

"Sure there are security guards, but they're usually lesbians and they're usually in hitting on people," said Turner. "There are lots of things that could be done (to make things safer)- more lighting in the back parking lot, a security officer there all the time- lots of things."

"For the amount of money we take in there- we deserve more." ▼

Something Our Community Can Do

by Karl Green
OF MGW STAFF

A week ago, a gay man was murdered near Faces. Last month, a woman was raped after leaving Faces, a gay man was stabbed near the Western and several gay men were beaten at Joseph's Town and Country.

Responding to these crimes against the gay community, the River City Democratic Club will present a community dialogue on March 27 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. the event will include a social hour with hors d'oeuvres and beverages from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Entitled "Hate Crimes: Who's Next?...Who Cares?" the dialogue will be held in the Terrace Room of the First United Methodist Church at the corner of 21st and J Streets in downtown Sacramento.

A blue ribbon panel of community officials has been assembled for this program. Panelists include:

* Lee Dohm, Deputy Chief of the Sacramento Police Department and that agency's liaison to the Lesbian/Gay community;

* Naya Miller, a deputy sheriff

See SOMETHING on page 4

Parents group supports anti-violence campaign

Leaders of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (Parents FLAG) spoke out strongly in support and praise of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force's Campaign to County and Counter Hate Crimes. Tom Sauerman, Executive Director, urged families of lesbians and gay men and all pro-family institutions to join the Campaign in its work against anti-gay violence.

"Not only must we count and counter hate crimes; we in Parents FLAG must stand up and be counted as people who love someone gay. There are more than 50 million parents and friends whose loved ones are in physical danger and suffer from emotional abuse as well. We must take every opportunity to

protest homophobia in all its ugly forms," said Sauerman.

Estimating that one in every four families includes a lesbian or gay person, Sauerman continued, "Whole families suffer when our loved ones are persecuted. As Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, we call upon civic, religious, and educational leaders in every community to put a stop to the homophobic policies of their institutions. To the extent that they tolerate gay-bashing of any kind, from discrimination to ostracism to harassment to violence to murder, they are anti-family."

Paulette Goodman, volunteer President of the Federation, added

See PARENTS on page 15

Mr. Sacramento Leather acts to stop the violence

by Jim Walker
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

With recent violence toward Sacramento's gay community escalating, gay activists are trying to find a way to end the madness. One solution has been proposed by a member of Sacramento's Leather Community.

Mr. Sacramento Leather, Randy Gray is lone sponsor of the March 26 meeting which will feature self-defense expert Chris Burns.

"For AIDS we have education and medical research on our side. There has been little or no help from the police, it is our responsibility to protect ourselves, we are our own," said Gray.

Burns, a former gay porno star, is the director of Fight Back, an San Diego based program to train gays and lesbians how to defend themselves. Burns has more than 20 years experience in martial arts and is responsible for starting the San

See VIOLENCE on page 4



Photo by Pamela Coffey

Don Alger, a friend of Vincent Blades, is comforted at the memorial services.

staff & information

MGW
NEWSPAPER

1725 L Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
9-5 (Mon-Fri) 916-441-6397

For Men and Women of the Gay Community and Friends

STAFF

Publisher/Editor L.D. Birner
Ofc Mgr/Typographer Cheryl Strickland
Assignment Editor Jim Walker
Art Director Mike McGinnis
HIV/AIDS Editor Sonya Cox
Religion Editor John Williams
Camera Room Stephen Scott
Proofreaders Patricia DiGiorgio
Carrie Hudson
Cartoonists Charles Haver
Noreen Stevens
Consultant John Fogarty
Legal Counsel Metrailler
Fiscal officer Ted Pfanner
Photographers Pamela Coffey
Dana Donahue
Art Farmer
Betty Garcia
Deborah Goldstein
Frank Lawler
Raoul Renaud
Kate Tavares
Writers Maria Albin
Wayne Anderson
John Batchelor
Joyce Beza
Joyce Bright
Lou Camera
Sonya Cox
Laura Enright
Walter Gorski
Karl Greene
Hal Griffiths
Joan B. Guertin
Drew Herzig
Matt Kennedy
Dr. David Kemp
Dr. Joanne Marrow
Terry Maloney
Tobias Maxwell
John Mello
Mikki Melton
Neil Minietta
Janet Mueller
Raoul Renaud
Dell Richards
M.R. Richards
Steve Sweetser
Ken Thompson
Sandra Warne
Catherine Whitney
John Williams
Carrie Wofford

ADVERTISING Anu Aaltonen
916-441-6397
Joe Di Sabato
(New York)
908-754-4348

TYPESETTING business cards,
logo design,
brochures, flyers,
photography,
newsletters, etc.

SUBSCRIPTIONS \$25/one year
24 issues
Copies mailed
in envelopes.

INFORMATION

Mom Guess What Newspaper is published twice each month on the first and fifteenth. Copyright 1991 by MGW Publications. All rights reserved. No portion of MGW, including editorial features, advertising or artwork may be reproduced in whole or in part without the written permission of the publisher.

MGW can assume no liability for errors, whether made by the original news source or by MGW in summarizing or editing a story, beyond the printing of a correction or retraction. Opinions expressed in by-lined articles and letters are those of the writers and do not necessarily represent the opinions of MGW. Publication of the name, photograph or likeness of any person or organization in articles or advertising does not imply and is not to be construed as any indication of the sexual orientation of such persons or organizations. Any similarity between individuals named or described in works of fiction or semi-fiction and actual persons, living or dead, is purely coincidental.

Readers are advised that MGW assumes no responsibility for claims made by any advertiser. Readers who have problems with advertisers are asked to report such problems to the address above. MGW reserves the right to reject any advertising for any reason. The Publisher and MGW Newspaper, shall not be liable for any error in published advertising unless an advertising proof is requested in writing and clearly marked for corrections. If the error is not corrected by the publisher, its liability, if any, shall not exceed the space occupied by the error. Further, the Publisher shall not be liable for any omission of an advertisement ordered to be published. On written request, the Publisher will reschedule and run the omitted advertisement at advertiser's cost. All claims for adjustment must be made within 30 days of date of publication. In no case shall the Publisher be liable for any general, special or consequential damages. Manuscripts, drawings and photographs may be submitted to the editorial offices. All reasonable care will be taken but no responsibility can be assumed for any unsolicited material. A stamped, self-addressed envelope must accompany all manuscripts, drawings or photographs submitted if they are to be returned. All letters addressed to MGW or its editors are assumed intended for publication. Names will be withheld upon request.

AFFILIATIONS Gay Press Association
Midtown Business Association
Alternative Press Syndicate

write

Guidelines for "Dear Editor" letters: Letters must be signed with your real name, address and phone (so we can call you with any questions). Your name, address and phone may be withheld upon written request. Letters will not be accepted over 250 words. Letters will be edited for space requirements. Letters will not be published unless the above guidelines are followed.

Thank yous

Dear Editor:

My thanks is long overdue to your circulation department for getting my subscription sent to my new address ... without my even sending in notice.

And my thanks goes to everyone involved in the newspaper. Thank you for offering all of us who don't fit society's standards of "normal" to express ourselves and find others of a like mind.

Kenneth "K.D." Donnell

Cover open queers

Dear Editor:

Outweek features Sandra Bernhardt on its cover just because she will not say she's a lady-lover.

The Native gives its cover to Leonard Bernstein's death even though he never breathed an out-of-closet breath.

The Advocate has Roseanne Barr, that paper-selling tyke, telling what she'd be like if she was a dyke.

Outlook's Outwrite '91 gay writers' conference shall be remembered as keynoted by no-gay-plays Ed Albee.

Oscar Wilde almighty, after all these years, wouldn't you think someone would cover open queers?

Robert Patrick, writer

Faces owner speaks out

Dear Editor:

I have heard all the comments about Vinnie's murder and although I employ two security guards every night and three to four guards on weekends, I am still willing to do more if necessary.

I have contacted security firms and been unable to find appropriate types of people for our clientele here at Faces.

I employed off duty police officers for New Years Eve and they intimidated the customers.

The way the media handled the incident was very bad for my business. As most of you realize Vinnie was in an empty parking lot across the street behind Lambda Community Center. He had been asked to leave Faces after throwing a glass at the bar. He had been at the auction at the Mercantile and at the Western.

My employee Pete, did take a shirt and try to stop the bleeding and he did give Vinnie CPR. I am proud of him for responding during circumstances that must have been overwhelming.

I have asked my outside security to wear the uniform in an attempt to discourage problems

before they happen.

We will not allow loitering around the area if they are unknown to the security. Please help us spot these individuals.

Finally, if you are leaving alone, please ask our security to walk you to your car and wait until you take off.

If all these measures are not sufficient, I have always said I would pay half the wages for off-duty officers.

May God Keep Vinnie

Terry Sidee
Owner of Faces

Gays in the gulf

Dear Editor:

This is a copy of a letter I sent to President Bush.

Dear President George Bush:

You did a great job kicking Saddam's butt. Now, if you would do something about kicking the butts of criminals in America and keeping some of your promises, we might have a pretty good country.

You said in September 1989 that you would not tolerate discrimination. Do you realize that nearly 48,000 of our troops who kicked Saddam's butt are gay or lesbian. Yet, those great men and women, as well as 25 million

other gay and lesbian Americans have NO civil rights. I served three years honorably in the Marine Corps, 1961 to 1964. For what?!

Instead of just making us fight for the rights other Americans take for granted, you can give us all equal rights by simply adding "sexual orientation" to the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

On February 9, 1991, 2:14am, my better half of over 20 years, Sonny, was nearly beaten to death by a gang of gay-bashers, at least nine more gays and lesbians were also attacked. The police responded but did not take a report. Sacramento Deputy Police Chief Lee Dohm said he would reprimand the police for not taking any reports, and he said he would go after the gay-bashers. No response! I contacted the Sacramento Bee, the Human Rights Commission, Mayor Anne Rudin and City Councilwoman Lila Ferris. No responses! Nobody gives a damn!!

Is this what our finest men and women fought and died for?!! Do something about making the streets of American safe for my decent, law-abiding and loyal Americans!! It's hypocritical to say America represents freedom and justice for ALL, when 25 million Americans have no rights!!!!

John D. Helm

FREE

Relationship Ads!

First 25 words free,
30 cents/word after.



See page 23 for more information

Wanted

Arts Editor

call MGW at 441-NEWS

MGW Newspaper would like to expand the visual art coverage by featuring local artist and show reviews. Are you involved in the arts, organized, a good journalistic writer?

MGW needs interns

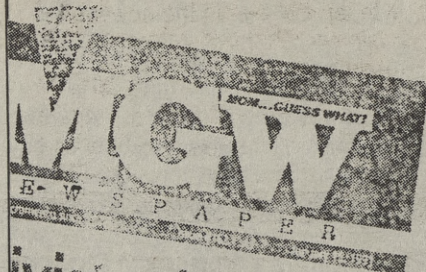
from the Journalism, Computer Science, Business, Communications and Photography Departments to do

Office work, advertising sales, darkroom, photography, writing, computer data entry, etc.

Contact 441-NEWS

MGW, 1725 L Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

We've got it covered.
Subscribe to MGW.



Lavender Lists page 10
Inauguration page 15
Vincent & Theo page 15
Relationship workshop page 20

ivists shake up inauguration



news

Dependable News - First and Foremost
Serving you with facts, figures and fun for over 13 years.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
☐ Check enclosed ☐ Moving ☐ Renewal
Number of years at \$25 per year _____ Total _____
Mail to MGW, 1725 L Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

McCarthy denounces violence against gays

Lt. Governor Leo McCarthy has denounced violence against gays and lesbians while repeating his support for Senate Bill 98, a hate-crimes bill.

SB 98 would substantially increase penalties for hate-related crimes, including those against gays and lesbians.

SB 98 would:

- Double the sentence for misdemeanor hate crimes
- Increase the sentence for felony hate crimes
- Increase the sentence for hate crimes committed in concert with others.
- Give longer sentences to repeat offenders
- Increase civil penalties for hate crimes
- Remove cap on punitive damages
- Require attorneys to take continuing courses on civil rights law

The following is McCarthy's March 6 statement:

"The increase in hate crimes against Gay and Lesbian people is disturbing, and infuriating, but it's hardly surprising. It's part of a statewide upswing in hate violence in which California faces the greatest number of these crimes since the heyday of the Ku Klux Klan. And

it's a reflection of the repugnant, but alarmingly common, attitude that it's okay, somehow, to discriminate against gay and lesbian people -- okay to verbally abuse them, okay, even, to physically attack them

That's garbage. That message, no matter who spreads it, is garbage. No one should condone or ignore any crime of hate. When Gay and Lesbian people are attacked, or someone is attacked for being Black or Jewish or Hispanic, or Arab or Asian it is an attack on us all.

The bill I'm sponsoring, SB 98, gives us all the chance to fight back. SB 98 is strong medicine for an ugly sickness. SB 98, authored by Senator Bill Lockyer, takes existing civil and criminal penalties against hate crimes and makes them tougher.

On the criminal penalty side, we will double sentences and fines and add penalty enhancements for felonies with a hate crime element, for participants in group attacks, and for repeat offenders. Enhanced penalties will give prosecutors added incentive to pursue these difficult cases. And, I hope, SB 98 will give more victims added incentive to report crime committed against them.

On the civil side, we will eliminate limits on civil damage awards, allowing victims to sue for unlimited

punitive damages.

This will be a powerful tool. The kind of tool Morris Dees wielded so effectively when he bankrupted the Ku Klux Klan and got the deed to the Klan headquarters turned over to the family of a hate crime victim. The same strategy used against Tom Metzger's group White Aryan Resistance when they were sued for inciting an attack on a young Ethiopian man up in Oregon.

The civil penalty portions of SB 98 will allow us to repeat those kinds of victories -- those examples of justice -- for hate crime victims here in California.

Of course, we know that as much as we need these tougher penalties we also need increased education to prevent future hate crimes. That's something the L.A. Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center has taken a terrific leadership role in. Something they and I and the coalition in support of SB 98 will continue to pursue.

Today, I want SB 98 to send the message that the numbers released in this report, the violence that happened to these neighbors and friends of ours, will not be tolerated."▼

MURDER

Continued from page 1

community began to distribute them. That same afternoon trucks from the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) were all over the area repairing street lights -- which had been in disrepair and the subject of complaints for quite some time. Seeing the SMUD repair crews, one man said bitterly, "See what it takes to get a light bulb changed in Sacramento? A gay man has to die..."

On Saturday, a security guard at the Greyhound bus terminal recognized a man from one of the composite drawings and called police. Fred Roybal, 32 of Antioch was arrested. William Gelling, 20, and Kasi Fellows, 18, were with Roybal -- all were on their way to Butte, Montana. Gelling and Fellows were questioned by police on Saturday and released. On Monday the pair voluntarily reported to the downtown police station, placed under arrest and held in lieu of \$1 million bail each. Roybal was arraigned in Blades' death on Monday afternoon and pleaded not guilty.

"This Has Gone Far Enough"

On Sunday, a memorial and rally was held at the Metropolitan Community Church. Mourners and speakers, including Sacramento Mayor Ann Rudin and City Councilmember, Heather Fargo, denounced the violence aimed at the lesbian/gay community to the standing room only crowd.

Rev. Freda Smith, Elder and Pastor of MCC, spoke of "the senseless attacks on us -- and we are a peaceful, gentle people." She denounced the Sacramento Union newspaper calling it "a homophobic press that ridicules those with AIDS and feed the prejudice of the community to beat down a compassionate mayor and city council -- and I'm not talking about the Sacramento Bee," she said. "This has gone far enough," she said, "the homophobic words hurled from pulpits -- a sheriff's department which turns its head to violence -- no one is free until everyone is free, no one is safe until all are safe -- this has gone far enough."

Mayor Ann Rudin said, "We are not going to tolerate this type of hate crime in our city. We are one with you and life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness applies to everyone." Fargo said that hate crimes, "are a blight on the city."

Judy Darren of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) from Chico said, "Our children don't need to be changed -- the acceptance of violence against them needs to be changed."

Don Alger, still in shock, thanked the police for treating him with compassion -- "like a human being." He said, "Our silence will equal the death of us -- we don't kill heterosexuals at their places of entertainment -- what right do they have to do this to us?" He began to cry as he asked the community not to forget and to pull together and become

if it costs you your job or your family -- there are other jobs and we are your family!"

Sacramento community activist Robert Becker spoke at a fundraiser for Ron Thompson, Blades' lover and said, "Two years ago I was severely beaten, had my front teeth knocked out and received stitches all over my mouth. Last week one of our women friends was savagely beaten, raped and run over by her own car and left for dead. This is not the first murder to occur in this area recently. When these things happened people got angry -- but



Photo by Pamela Coffey

Hundreds attend the service at the MCC Sanctuary for Vincent Blades.

united in the efforts to fight violence and hate crimes.

Lou Camera, co-chair of Sacramento's River City Democratic Club (RCDC) pledged his support of Sacramento's Lambda Community Center's programs against violence.

During the service a message arrived from Bishop Francis Quinn of Sacramento who sent his personal condolences to the community and to Blades' family and friends.

In a searing speech Rev. Jerry Sloan laid the murder of Blades at the feet of those who create and condone a climate of homophobia and hatred. "Lou Sheldon -- murdered Vincent...Jerry Falwell -- murdered Vincent...Glen Cole and the Capital Christian Center -- murdered Vincent," he thundered, and similarly named radio talk-show host Rush Limbaugh, The Sacramento Union newspaper and Phyllis Shafley. "It's time to stand up and be counted," he said, "so what

then the anger dissolved and within two months people returned to their apathy. I want to call upon everyone to do something with that anger. Don't let it subside -- continue to call for action from the authorities. It only costs a few minutes to write a letter and 29 cents for a stamp. Bombard them with demands for safety and don't let your anger dissolve -- let Vinnie's death by the catalyst to make violence stop in this city."

Money was raised by Becker and other friends so that Thompson could accompany Blades' body to his funeral in his hometown of Pelham Manor, New York -- and his airline ticket was purchased by Faces bar owner, Terry Sidie. However, in a different act of violence, Thompson was informed by Blades' family that he was not welcome to accompany the body or to come to the funeral.▼

Camellia Classic Run

Sally Edwards and family members cross the finish line first at the annual Camellia Classic Run.

Photo by Pamela Coffey



Diedre McCalla entertains at The Palms
Photo by Joyce Beaz

WANTED:

FreeLance

Graphic Designer Layout Person

Part-time. Approx. 25 hours/week. Some all nights, weekends. Desktop publishing helpful. Must be extremely organized, neat, dependable, crisis oriented, able to meet all deadlines. Must have at least one year in the newspaper business. Portfolio, references, resume required.

MGW

1725 L Street
Sacramento, 95814
441-6397

Wanted

Arts Editor

MGW would like to expand the visual art coverage by featuring local artist and show reviews. Are you involved in the arts, organized, and a good journalist?

Call Mgw at 441-NEWS

BOYCOTT LIST

These businesses do not support the gay community:

- Burger King
- Carls Jr.
- Marlboro cigarettes (Phillip Morris)
- Sacramento Union



Be a part
of the
Ad Sales
team
at MGW

Call 441-6397
for information



commentary

The idolatries of war

by Tobias Maxwell
OF MGW STAFF

Ever since Desert shield metamorphosed into the imminent Desert Storm, I have been fascinated with the resurgent religiosity of the populace as well as the leaders of our nation. The media bombardment full of comments such as, "We are praying for the safety of ...", "We pray that God grant wisdom to the leaders ...", "God bless the fighting men and women ..." have become more common than the mundane morning salutations of late. At the same time news bytes show glimpses of the enemy bowing to Allah with requests are reverent as ours. Everywhere, it appears, the Collective Unconscious is at the behest of the people so that their side, "true and just" will overtake the other side that isn't "true and just."

This observation of course, is as old as man and his wars. We have only to browse through *The Iliad* and count the libations to their various deities on every other page, to see how little has changed. Though man moves up the evolutionary scale, peace still manages to remain too elusive for him. The qualities that are attached to peace are, strangely, never as enticing as those to war. Or so it would seem, if we were to glance at the continuum of civilization, trying to locate periods of time when man was not at war, praying to his deity for guidance and intervention.

One peculiar change that took place along the way was a move towards a monotheistic rather than the more handy polytheistic belief. I say handy simply because if Allah and the Christian/Judeo God are one and the same, it seems ludicrous that both sides would be fighting each other using this same God. From my meager knowledge of these religions, I gather that their differing holy books all adhere to the same God, more or less, though each comes to God via different prophets (this places God in the middle of a nasty argument -- not a comfortable place to be for anyone, let alone a god). It would not have worked well in Troy.

Perhaps Francis Bacon's idea of idols and false notions that he put forth in his *Novum Organum* could help us at this time. It might give us a different perspective on man's escalating prostrations to this suddenly very busy Higher Being. Bacon's four categories, Idols of the Tribe, Cave, Market-Place and Theatre, all play some role behind men's actions.

Each one of us is influenced by his own particular, peculiar history within the dynamic of his Cave (home). There we receive certain imprints (Idols) that greatly affect how we interpret and interact with the other three categories of Idols. As no man is an island completely unto himself, his Cave must dwell amongst the Tribe, and with it the certain Idols of the Tribe. As man socializes with the Tribe he is swept into the hurly-burly of the Market-Place, learning new definitions for things already defined, simply by the very nature of the Market-Place, if I understand Bacon. And by this process, with these new words, man corrupts (shades of Madison Avenue in the 16th Century?). The last category of Idols that man is subjected to, the Idols of the Theatre, represents the various schools of philosophy as well as laws of demonstration that have been proven wrong and unfounded to man, according to Bacon.

Bacon's main contention and the *raison d'être* for the *Novum Organum*, was to persuade his fellow man that the current methods for proving things were inadequate, skewered by biases (the Idols), leading to false conclusions. Unfortunately, Bacon only hinted as to a new method, alluding that inductive over deductive reasoning was a better means of ascertaining nature. Though I know the science of war today is most likely planned from inductive reasoning, I worry nonetheless as to the conclusions arrived at by our nation and its leaders in choosing a course of war.

Using this Idolatry concept, I become even more uneasy about this war and the way people believe their one God will bless, condone, protect and possibly make them victors of their cause. I see the leaders inclined to war as coming out of similar Caves, which placed them on a certain path in the Tribe, and took them more directly to the Market-Place than others. Using their honed skills at re-definition from their Market-Place experience, they manage well to deny any Idolatry of the Theatre. But with each new day of war, with each new de-briefing session, with each censored report of how things are in the war zone, and why things are being done the way they are, I see the influence from the Idols of the Theatre everywhere.

I am not at all convinced by the sophisticated "thinking armaments" of this high tech war. Nor am I swayed by impressive displays of artillery action on my television screen. I do not believe a Creationist God would be either.

In the *Novum Organum* Bacon says: "The lame man who keeps the right road outstrips the runner who takes a wrong one. Nay it is obvious that when a man runs the wrong way, the more active and swift he is, the further he will go astray." Winning this war by the Allies is not so much on our minds as is the cost in lives and in dollars and cents. Nor is the focus of our mission to discredit Saddam Hussein, since his actions do that effectively enough. When all is said and done, and the word victory rests on our lips, which Idol will we face to understand the gaping loopholes that argued for war? What symbol will we sculpt and place on massive plinths in our Market-Place squares? I suggest a large missile with a carved road sign: "Wrong way." Too swift. Much too quickly.▼

Maxwell's piece was submitted prior to the war's end. The points made are still relevant.▼

On the Town?

CARRY A WHISTLE

on your keychain!!!

National writer's conference marked by controversy

by Michael Gorman
OF MGW STAFF

On the weekend of March 1-3, (proclaimed "OutWrite '91 Days in San Francisco" by Mayor Art Agnos) the City by the Bay played host to history's largest gathering of lesbian and gay writers, publishers, editors, journalists, and critics: OutWrite '91, the second annual lesbian and gay writer's conference sponsored by *OutLook Magazine*. Logistics problems and a late start on Friday night clearly indicated that the organizers did not anticipate the nearly 2,000 participants who converged on the Cathedral Hill Hotel. With both apologies and pride, publisher Jeffrey Escorier opened what proved to be a conference marked by controversy and debate.

The controversy began with the keynote addresses. After inspiring opening speeches by Kate Millet (*Sexual Politics*), John

Tennessee Williams. He attributed the greatness of past gay American writers to their unwillingness to be "limited" by gay themes and characters, and called E.M. Forster's one gay novel, *Maurice*, his most trivial work. When Albee compared gay civil and literary progress to the Black civil rights movement by blaming much white hostility on increasing Black separatism, the restlessness and murmuring of the audience broke into loud hissing, boos, and cries of "Assimilationist!"

Albee quieted the audience somewhat, rushed to finish his address and left the podium to a smattering of polite applause and continued boos and hisses. One participant-writer remarked, "I came to hear on elder statesman, and instead I heard an out-of-touch, old aristocrat."

Although a few

con-

Alan Bell. Fifty-five panels covered diverse topics from censorship to publishing to literature for children of gay and lesbian parents to political comedy to archetypes.

Some participants in the weekend complained of the low representation on the panels of people of color. Poet and panelist Assoto Saint said, "Given the history of exclusion faced by gays and lesbians and bisexuals, I cannot believe there are not more people of color on these panels." In the closing remarks on Sunday, OutLook Foundation president Sandra Whisler pledged to address those observations in planning next year's conference, which organizers hope to hold in New York City.

In addition to the pan-



Rechy (*City of Night*) and Paula Gunn Allen (*The Women Who Owned the Shadows*), celebrated playwright Edward Albee took the microphone and began his address, whose theme was the ghettoization of gay writers, which he attributed to gay writers' unwillingness to write other than gay themes and stories. Seeming defensive, Albee claimed several times that "just because I am a writer who is gay does not mean that I can only write gay characters." The audience became increasingly restive as Albee repudiated the critics who see disguised gay characters in his masterpiece *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf* and in the works of

vention-ers expressed sympathy for Albee's views, there was almost universal condemnation of his remarks and frequent critical references to him throughout the weekend in various workshops. In a candid moment on Saturday with Editor Linda Birner of *Mom Guess What* Albee expressed extreme discomfort and indicated that he would leave the conference a day early.

Saturday and Sunday of the conference ran smoothly. Workshops began at 9:30am and ran through 5pm, each including a panel of three of four experts in the subject of the workshop. Among the 263 panelists were such luminaries as Malcolm Boyd, Holly Hughes, Roberta Actenberg, Pat Califia, Urvashi Vaid, Kate Clinton, Sasha Alyson and

els, literary readings continued throughout the weekend, including open mike readings. Lambda Literary Awards Finalists were announced. Publishers' tables filled the second floor mezzanine. Receptions were held for various groups from ethnic minorities to editors.

Organizers announced the dual theme of this year's conference as the coming of age of lesbian and gay publishing and the finding and nurturing of the gay and lesbian voice. Though voices at this gathering were raised in protest, in debate, and in challenge, they were also raised in praise and encouragement and support. Ultimately, the triumph of OutWrite '91 may be that so many voices simply were raised.

Tapes of the conference sessions may be ordered from: Conference Recording Service, 1308 Gilman St., Berkeley, CA 94706; 415-527-3600 or fax 415-527-8404.▼

SOMETHING

Continued from page 1
with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department and that agencies liaison to the Lesbian/Gay community;

* Anna Bravo, Deputy District Attorney with the Sacramento County District Attorney's office and the chief of that agencies Hate Crimes Unit;

* Ron Brown associate with the Human Rights Unit of the Sacramento City and County Human Rights/Fair Housing Commission, and

* Donna Yutzy, Executive Director of the Lambda Community Center.

"This will not be a one-way conversation in which the gay community just listens to panelists speak. Rather, it will be a dialogue in which community members will explore solutions with public officials," said Marghe Covino, who, with Keith Johnson is co-chair of RCDC's Community Liaison Committee which has arranged this event.

Local victims of hate crimes are invited and will be encouraged to tell the panelists about their experiences and the reasons that they either did or did not officially report the crimes.

According to Johnson, one of the problems the community faces in

dealing with this issue lies in the definition of "hate crimes" used by the police department. He said that Bravo, of the D.A.'s office interprets the definition in a broader way but only receives reports from police and therefore the access to hate crimes information is limited. "We need a specific mechanism for reporting these incidents," Johnson said, "an inclusive mechanism which keep all of the agencies informed and which will bridge the gaps in the current reporting process."▼

VIOLENCE

Continued from page 1
Francisco gay defense group, the Pink Panthers.

Like Burns, Gray is outraged that violence like the recent Faces incident continues.

"Within our community, we have two life-threatening epidemics. The first is AIDS and the second is gay bashing. In both instances, you could be disabled or killed," said Gray.

Fight Back also encourages the reporting of hate crimes to local, state and federal law enforcement.

Included as part of the workshop is a self-defense video titled "Take Back the Night" which highlights self-defense principles for men and women.

Gray sought the help of Faces

owner Terry Sidie who, according to Gray, said the cost of the workshop was "out-of" line and wished Gray luck in finding the money to bring the workshop to Sacramento and in getting anyone to attend.

"I am angry with Terry. I am disappointed. This is something he should support," said Gray. Because of a lack of support, Gray told MGW he will charge the \$500 cost of the workshop on his own credit cards if he has to.

The self-defense workshop is scheduled for March 26, 8-10pm at the Clunie Hall Auditorium in McKinley Park. A \$5 admission fee will be charged but will be waived for those unable to pay.▼

IT PAYS TO
ADVERTISE
in

MGW

Questions & answers about AB 101

Background

The Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA) currently prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, sex or age. FEHA also currently prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry or marital status.

AB 101 would add sexual orientation to both of these sections.

What does AB 101 do?

AB 101 would prohibit discrimination in employment and housing on the basis of sexual orientation under the Fair Employment and Housing Act of California. It would allow the state's Department of Fair Employment and Housing to investigate and act on complaints of discrimination.

AB 101 would ensure that all Californians are treated fairly and equally under the law rather than on the basis of prejudicial assumptions. Most Californians already take these rights for granted: the right to work in a job for which they are qualified, to live in housing they are able to pay for, and to live in peace and privacy as law abiding citizens.

Why is AB 101 necessary?

Discrimination exists in both employment and housing for gay men and lesbians. Testimony from individuals and public officials at a recent Legislative Hearing convened by Assemblyman Terry Friedman

(D-West Hollywood) documented a wide range of such discrimination.

Furthermore, all Californians are at risk from such discrimination. Here's why. The mere "perception" that someone is gay or lesbian, whether or not true in fact, has led to cases of employment and housing discrimination.

There is substantial empirical and anecdotal information that documents the need for including sexual orientation in the FEHA:

> A federally funded research project at San Francisco University found that 60.5 percent of gays and lesbians interviewed had experienced employment discrimination based on their sexual orientation.

> A 1989 poll (Teichner, San Francisco Examiner) found among a much larger sampling in the bay area that 28 percent of gay and lesbian respondents had experienced employment discrimination and 14 percent had experienced housing discrimination.

> A National Institute of Mental Health study documented that 9 percent lose their jobs just because they are lesbian or gay.

What about existing laws? Don't they already protect lesbians and gay men from discrimination?

According to extensive analyses by the Department of Fair Employment and Housing, there are no clear-cut existing federal or state statutory protections against discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

All Californians, including lesbians and gay men, should be afforded equal treatment under the law. That's why most large cities in California, including Cupertino, Los Angeles, Oakland, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Jose, Santa Barbara and San Diego have already enacted their own local measures.

Does AB 101 force churches to hire gays even if it is against their religious beliefs?

NO. Religious institutions and religious schools are exempt. AB 101 would not apply to them.

Does AB 101 give homosexuals "special rights"?

NO. AB 101 doesn't grant anyone "special rights." AB 101 would simply ensure that equal treatment under the law exists for all Californians regardless of their sexual orientation.

What about claims that homosexuals don't deserve protection because they are not a "legitimate minority"?

Some define "legitimate minority" as something we have no control over, like ancestry, ethnicity or race. An individual's sexual orientation, they argue, is a matter of choice, and therefore is not a basis for equal treatment under the law.

First, even if some hold to this opinion that homosexuality is a "choice," the Fair Employment and Housing Act already protect two classes that are a matter of choice: religion and marital status.

Second, there is no agreement among scientific experts as to whether homosexuality is a result of genetic or environmental factors. However, there is substantial consensus -- no matter what factors are responsible -- that sexual orientation is actually determined no later than early childhood.

What about claims that AB 101 is just the first step to protect pedophiles and bestiality?

Nothing in the Fair Employment and Housing Act or AB 101 gives ANYONE the right to engage in unlawful behavior.

Would AB 101 require employers to meet quotas or affirmative action programs for the hiring of lesbians and gay men?

NO. AB 101 has absolutely nothing to do with quotas, goals, time-tables or affirmative action programs.

Does AB 101 require employers to give benefits to domestic partners?

NO. Employers have the right to grant benefits based on marital status and number of dependents. AB 101 does nothing to change this.

Can AB 101 be used to harass landlords or employers?

NO. the burden of proof in ALL cases falls on the person alleging discrimination. ALL complaints received by the Department of Fair Employment and Housing are carefully screened by state investigators before any action is taken.

Would AB 101 require people to accept gay roommates?

NO. AB 101 does not apply to the rental or lease of a room of any owner-occupied single-family housing unit with one boarder. further, accommodations operated by religious, fraternal or charitable or-

ganizations are exempt. AB 101 does not change this.

Would AB 101 force employers to permit on-the-job sexuality and cross-dressing?

NO. Employers can always establish reasonable standards of conduct and dress as long as they apply equally to all employees. Nothing in the FEHA or AB 101 would change this.

Would AB 101 force employers to hire people with AIDS?

NO. The FEHA does not require employers to hire or retain an employee whose medical condition

or physical handicap does not permit him/her to perform regular job duties or would endanger the safety of the employee or others.

Do a majority of Californians support such a law?

YES. Statewide and national polls have repeatedly demonstrated that most people believe discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation is wrong.

For example, a 1989 Teichner poll found that 81 percent of heterosexual respondents (nationwide) believe it is discrimination to deny a person a job based on sexual orientation.▼

Date for CAPPAC dinner announced

The California Capital Political Action Committee's (CAPPAC) third annual dinner fund-raising gala will take place on June 8 starting at 7pm at the Sacramento Community Convention Center Exhibition Hall.

Carolyn Langenkamp, CAPPAC co-chairperson, said "The previous years' events have been tremendously successful, so, this year, we looked for a venue that could accommodate even more people than last year." The 1991 event will move from the Convention Center's Metropolitan Room to the larger Exhibition Hall.

This year's event will feature musical performances and a featured speaker. Past CAPPAC events have featured theatrical performances centering on gay concerns as well as key note addresses from luminaries such as Bella Abzug and openly gay Congressman Barney Frank. This year's event is also expected to attract more than two dozen elected officials including members of Congress, members of the State Legislature, judges, County Supervisors and Sacramento City Councilpersons.

CAPPAC is Sacramento's bi-partisan, lesbian and gay political action committee. The organization supports the election of politicians who support gay issues. For ticket information, call Ted Ross at 739-8020.▼

As MGW goes to press, AB 101 got out of the Assembly Labor and Employment after much debate from the Religious Right.

Vacancy Announcements County of Sacramento

The following committees and commissions have vacancies as listed below. Appointments are made by the Board of Supervisors. Applications are available at all public libraries and the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. For more detailed information call 440-5411.

Filing of Applications

Commission/Committee	Opens	Closes	Type of Member
Affirmative Action Comm.	Open filing		3 citizens
Bd. of Plumbing Exam.	3-18-91	3-29-91	1 general member
Childrens Commission	Open filing		1 youth member
Citrus Heights Comm.	3-25-91	3-22-91	5 area residents
Planning Adv. Council			
Commission on Aging	3-11-91	3-22-91	1 general member
Cosumnes Area Comm.	Open filing		1 area resident
Planning Adv. Council			
County Health Council	4-29-91	5-10-91	3 providers 5 consumers
County Sanitation Dist.	3-18-91	3-29-91	1 priv. agency rep.
Sewer Rate Adv. Comm.			
Elk Grove-Cosumnes Cemetery District	Open filing		1 area resident
Fair Oaks Comm. Planning Advisory Council	4-8-91	4-19-91	3 area residents
Human Rights/Fair Hous. Commission	3-18-91	3-29-91	1 general member
Maternal, Child & Adol. Health Advisory Board	Open filing		2 members
North Highlands/Foothill Farms Comm. Plan. Adv. Council	Open filing		1 area resident
Orangevale Community Planning Adv. Council	4-29-91	5-10-91	3 area residents
Rio Linda/Elverta Comm. Planning Adv. Council	3-18-91	3-29-91	2 area residents
Sac Metro. Air Quality Mgt. Dist. Hearing Bd.	3-18-91	3-29-91	1 attorney 1 general public
Sac Sports Commission	4-1-91	4-12-91	2 female at large
Southeast Area Comm. Planning Adv. Council	Open filing		3 area residents
South Sac Comm. Planning Adv. Council	Open filing		2 area residents



CAP/PAC

endorses

Patty Mattingly Senate District 1

please vote on March 19th
and encourage friends in
Senate District 1 to do so also!



For more information on CAP/PAC or to be placed on the mailing list, please call 736-2722.

Snow White Champagne Ball for Women

is

December 7, 1991

write 1725 L St., 95814 for an invitation

AIDS Action League questioned

by Jim Walker
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

The AIDS Action League of Sacramento, a group that identifies itself as a non-profit organization educating the community about AIDS, may not be exactly what it seems.

According to a January 20 story in the Sacramento Bee, the AAL is spending the bulk of its funds on directors' salaries and a door-to-door fund-raising operation the group calls "community awareness."

Standards for non-profit organizations require at least half of an agency's funds be used for program services. Directors say the community awareness project is designed to help people learn more about AIDS.

The canvassers do talk to people about the disease and hand-out photocopied articles about women with AIDS, but according to workers, they have nightly fund-raising quotas and their pay is directly related to how much money they raise.

The agency also runs a transitional home for people with AIDS, but only one woman with children has lived there since it opened last March. The other 14 residents have been males.

The agency's finances were first brought into question by a former employee and the Better Business Bureau, which is finishing a report comparing the AAL's fund-raising efforts to those of other non-profit organizations.

Marc Keyser, AAL President and Founder, says the group doesn't pretend to be perfect and that the

organization has acted within reasonable and responsible limits.

The National Charities Information Bureau, the organization that tracks where charities are or are not spending their money, requires groups like AAL to spend at least 60 percent of their funds of programs.

Keyser says his agency spends 75 percent of its \$228,796 budget on programs and about 25 percent on administration. But according to financial reports obtained from the AAL by the Bee, there is a conflict.

An AAL balance sheet from November shows that \$94,418 was spent on programs - about 52 percent. Another statement some ten days later showed a jump to \$128,432 or 67 percent. Finally, in a draft released on January 17, the AAL claims \$170,000 or 75 percent was spent on programs last year.

Keyser told the Bee that the earlier figures were broken down improperly and said it was because of problems with a computer program.

All three financial forms list the canvassing operation as a program, something the Better Business Bureau has questioned.

Keyser is angry about a letter the bureau sent him asking for his 1990 balance sheet. He said the letter is "accusatory" and that information the BBB has provided to donors has cost AAL money.

The BBB says it has just applied the same standards to the AAL it to any other charity. The BB began its investigation only after questions from citizens.▼

Texas court hears argument in case alleging discrimination with health insurance

The United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit Circuit, in Houston, Texas, has heard oral argument in an AIDS-discrimination case that could have implications for all group health plans offered by employers to their workers.

In the case, John Mc Gann, 46, of Houston alleges that his former employer, H & H Music Company, violated federal law by altering its group plan to place a lifetime cumulative cap of \$5,000 on AIDS-related claims nine months after the company learned he had AIDS. The previous maximum for AIDS was \$1 million.

"The federal pension statute -- the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) -- explicitly

prohibits companies from retaliating or discriminating against a worker because that person seeks to obtain benefits to which he or she is entitled," said Joseph J. Garcia, the lawyer who argued on Mc Gann's behalf before the court. "That general rule should apply to group health insurance as well as pension plans and other fringe benefits, and Congress intended that it should," he continued.

Mr. Mc Gann was diagnosed with AIDS in December of 1987, and he informed H & H Music of his condition shortly afterwards.

On August 1, 1988, H & H Music instituted a new group health plan, to be self-insured by the company, containing the \$5,000 limit on AIDS. The new plan placed no new limita-

tions on other catastrophic illnesses.

In June of 1989, Mr. McGann, represented by Donald H. Skipwith and Helen Brattin, both lawyers in Houston, Texas, brought a lawsuit challenging the exclusion. Federal District Court Judge Norman W. Black dismissed the suit on June 26, 1990, asserting that federal law accords employers a general right to change or terminate their group health plans. Mr. McGann then sought review by the Court of Appeals.

Mr. McGann's medical bills have already surpassed \$20,000, which he has largely had to pay himself, or with the assistance from public welfare programs.▼

\$200,000 endowed scholarship fund to benefit lesbian and gay students at university

Two San Francisco men who were longtime companions have bequeathed \$200,000 from their estate to establish the Markowski-Leach Scholarship Fund for lesbian and gay students at San Francisco State University and other Bay Area institutions of higher education. It is believed to be one of few such bequests of its kind in the nation.

Among the five largest cash gifts San Francisco State has ever received, the fund will provide up to 13 \$1,000 scholarships annually to gay and lesbian students.

The gift is from the estate of Thomas Markowski, who attended classes at SFSU and who died in

1987, and James Leach, who died in 1989. Both men were computer analysts who died of AIDS.

Markowski and Leach were friends of Bill Brockett, SFSU Mail Services manager. Brockett is executor of the estate.

"Jim and Tom did well in their positions and both saw estate planning as important," Brockett said. "Establishing a scholarship fund to benefit lesbian and gay students was Tom's brainchild, and Jim carried out those plans after Tom died."

According to Brockett, both Markowski and Leach had seen the difficulties gay and lesbian people sometimes face when attempting to

advance in their professions. They wanted to do something to change that situation, and identified education as a key way for gays and lesbians to achieve both higher self esteem and increased access to positions of leadership, Brockett said.

A committee will be established with representatives from each of the participating institutions to choose the first scholarship recipients. The awards will be available beginning in the fall of 1992. For information: San Francisco State University Development Office at 415-338-2517.▼

In the Heart of Lavender Heights!

Cafe LAMBDA

Fridays from 8 to midnight at the Lambda Center 1931 L St

A great alternative to the bar scene featuring:

- A VARIETY OF DESSERTS
- GOURMET COFFEE SELECTIONS
- LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

March 15 - Mary Canote, singer/guitarist
March 22 - Mary Rose, singer/guitarist
March 29 - John Mitchell & Maureen Gaynor, comedians

THERE'S A NEW BAR IN TOWN!

A NEW PLACE FOR LOVE!

The Fantasticks

CHECK IT OUT!

The Fantasticks by Schmidt and Jones
Presented by The Lambda Players 1931 L St, Sacramento
Fri/Sat April 12 - May 4, 8:15 pm
Sun Matinees April 21, May 5, 2pm
Tickets \$8 adv/\$10 at door
Reservations Strongly Suggested 442-0185

LAMBDA COMMUNITY CENTER

20th & L Sts.

Join the Group!

CENTER PROGRAMS

COMING OUT / MEN

Mondays 5:30 - 7:00pm
Miwok Room, Student Union CSU, Sacramento. Support group dealing with "Coming Out" as a life long process

WOMEN'S RAP GROUP

Mondays 7-9pm at the Center
A social support group for lesbian women with weekly topics and a monthly potluck

LAMBDA U

A series of workshops and seminars for our community. Watch for ads of the latest schedule of classes.

BEING ALIVE LIVING ROOM

Thursdays 2-5 at the Center
a drop-in social time for PWA or HIV + persons. Games, movies, and snacks.

YOUTH RAP GROUP

Fridays 5:45 at the Center
Social-support group for gay, lesbian, or bisexual youth under 21.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NOW!

call Neil at the Center

PICK UP A COPY OF
AT THE CENTER

YOUR MONTHLY GUIDE TO
LAMBDA CENTER ACTIVITIES

CELEBRATE

THE LAVENDER SWEEP

A Benefit for Sacramento's
Gay and Lesbian Theatre,
The Lambda Players

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Carole Migden, City Supervisor, SF

Roberta Actenberg, City Supervisor, SF

Tom Amiano, School Board, SF

Jean Harris, Domestic Partners Campaign,
Aide to Harry Britt

▼ ▼ ▼

Entertainment by Sacramento's Finest

Open Road ▼ Mary Rose

Sneak Preview of the upcoming
production of Schmidt and Jones'

The Fantasticks

Sunday, April 7, 3-6pm

Ambrose-Heath 10th and J Sts.

\$10 (no one turned away)

Limited space, Reservations Encouraged
442-0185

by Sonya Cox
HIV EDITOR

Speedier disability checks...

The Social Security Administration has agreed to expedite disability claims made by people with terminal illnesses following a case in which a man with AIDS finally received his first check the week after his burial, 25 months after he'd filed his claim.

Changing needs identified...

An early report from the Life Center in San Francisco, a central information exchange for HIV agencies scheduled to formally open in 1993, has identified growing gaps in care for people with HIV. The reason for the gaps is that not only are there more cases each year, but people are living longer and needing assistance for a longer time because of the promising treatments they're receiving. Tops on their list of urgent issues to be addressed is a better understanding of dementia, which often renders a person unable to perform such basic functions as remembering to file for benefits or pay their bills on time resulting in some of these people living on the streets. These people need volunteers to assist them early on and perhaps eventually supervised living facilities, which at the moment are virtually non-existent. Other upcoming needs that must be addressed are space for agencies that assist PWAs, adult day care, space for support group meetings, counseling about benefits (including the fact that agencies that provide benefits are heavily overworked and understaffed), special assistance to minorities, more medical care to help alleviate the burden on the few overworked physicians now treating people with HIV, home care and home nursing, more education about treatment choices, and more training and a few hours of respite for exhausted caregivers.

HIV resources...

* Anonymous testing: Capitol Health Center, 1500 C St., 440-7720 re free, anonymous tests on Weds. and Thurs.

* Support group for HIV and other diseases: MCC Church, social hall, Tues. eves., 7-9:30pm, positive outlook sessions for men and women.

* Women's HIV support group: AIDS Foundation, 1900 K St., 2nd floor, 6:30-8pm, Tues.

* Men's support group, with facilitator: CARES, 2710 Capitol Ave., 7-8:30pm, 2nd, 4th, 5th Weds., 443-3299.

* Men's support group, no facilitator: Sierra II, 2791 24th St. (across Broadway), 7:30-9pm, 1st, 3rd Weds.

* Non-smoking workshop: Tues., 6:30-8pm, CARES

* Support group for partners, family, friends of PWAs/HIV: Mon. 6-8pm, 1900 22nd St.

Another legal marijuana case...

A Florida couple with AIDS recently arrested for using marijuana to relieve their symptoms has been granted a supply of pre-rolled, government-grown pot by government officials in Washington. They are the third and fourth PWAs to receive permission from the federal government to smoke pot, although some glaucoma and cancer patients have also obtained it. The couple says the marijuana is the only thing that alleviates the nausea and vomiting caused by some of their medications.

Septra showing greater promise...

Researchers at Kaiser Medical Center in Los Angeles said a common antibiotic costing \$10/year seems to work as well in preventing HIV-related PCP pneumonia as the government-approved pentamidine, which costs upward of \$150/month. They say three doses a week of cotrimoxazole (Septra) has prevented

pneumonia in all 116 people tested in a four-year study. Some people are allergic to this sulfa drug, but for those who aren't, it's proving to be a viable defense (as both a preventative and a treatment) against PCP, and apparently without the breakthrough episodes that sometimes occur after extended use of pentamidine.

Work continuing on HIV protein...

Researchers have won patent protection for a protein in the AIDS virus that is being explored as a potential vaccine. HBP-30 forms part of the core of the virus and it's hoped that it can help rebuild the body's immune response without exposing people to the virus itself. Two other proteins, GP-120 and GP-160, are also being investigated by other companies, and other researchers are trying to genetically engineer a recreated skeleton of the virus. The difficulty with creating a vaccine thus far is that HIV mutates so rapidly that it's difficult to create a treatment that offers complete protection. HPG-30's appeal is that it seems to appear in all variations of the AIDS virus. Human trials have begun in Britain and will soon begin in San Francisco and at the UCLA Medical Center.

Please get tested...

HIV disease is becoming more and more treatable. Many Sacramentans have been infected for years and have no symptoms because of early treatment and decisions to live a healthier lifestyle. Know your HIV status and learn about the disease. Get a copy of "HIV from A to Z" available now at the AIDS Foundation for \$15 -- and available shortly at local bookstores, and learn how to cope with HIV if it's become a part of your life. It's estimated that there are as many as 4,000 people in Sacramento who may be positive with the virus who have not yet even been tested. Approxi-

mately 1,000 individuals are now being treated for HIV disease in the city, and approximately 180 of these people have full-blown AIDS. Time is on your side if you keep yourself healthy and informed. Learn that it's much more critical once you're positive to avoid scabies, gonorrhea, and other problems of this nature. The part these things play in stressing out a person's immune system, both before and after an HIV diagnosis, is not yet fully understood. Learn what's good for you and what people with HIV can't tolerate, such as live vaccines given if you travel out of the country, or the dangers of eating undercooked fish or meat. You can't win a battle against an enemy you don't understand, but it's fairly certain that you won't win if you don't fight. Please give yourself the gift of your own life and get tested. If you find you're positive, don't try to deal with HIV alone: reach out for the support that's waiting for you in Sacramento.

Volunteers needed...

* PAARC (Performing Artists for AIDS-Related Charities): Make extra \$\$ selling ads between now and July for the 4th annual PAARC

July for the 4th annual PAARC variety show program. Call Lori, 428-2815 or Robby, 442-2686 for more info. Commission paid for each ad sold.

* PAARC variety show: choreographers, musical director, designers, other talents needed. Call Dan, 444-6704. Don't miss this show July 13; proceeds will directly benefit Sacramento PWAs by raising money for the newly established PAARC Emergency Fund, which will hopefully be ready to distribute emergency funds by the fall of this year.

* AIDS WALK helpers needed: Call coordinator Steven Crow at 555-6767 if you can help with details for the June 1 event. (Mark this on your calendars -- let's make this the largest walk we've ever had!)

* AIDS Foundation: continuing need for all kinds of volunteers -- to give rides to clients, to stuff envelopes, to deliver HIV from A to Z to local bookstores, to work with clients through the Hand to Hand Program, etc. Call 448-2437 Mon.-Fri.

Thank you to Dr. Bary Siegel for his medical oversight of this column and to Dr. Elizabeth Harrison for her continuing contributions to its content. ▼

Buddy Connection

This fun, sex-positive workshop uses exercises, videos and tips on safe and pleasurable sex to encourage men to take charge and eliminate unsafe sex. *Buddy Connections* are held from 7-9 p.m. at the SAF Training Space, 1900 K Street, Suite 200, Sacramento. You'll be glad you came!

Buddy Connections are scheduled for:

Fri., Mar. 15
Fri., Apr. 19
Fri., May 10
Fri., June 7

Sacramento AIDS Foundation • 448-2437

Graffiti Buster

FOR GRAFFITI REMOVAL
449-5704

JUNE 1, 1991

It's Time To Put Your Foot Down.

AIDS WALK



AIDS WALK Sacramento • 500 22nd Street • Sacramento, CA 95816 • 916/552-6767



SALLY KELLEY
Realtor



6371 Riverside Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95831

METRAILER & LANGENKAMP ATTORNEYS AT LAW

AUTO ACCIDENTS
BREACH OF CONTRACT
BUSINESS MATTERS
DIVORCE/CUSTODY
EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION
WILLS/PROBATE
INSURANCE PROBLEMS
LIVING TOGETHER CONTRACTS
REAL ESTATE MATTERS
PROPERTY DIVISIONS
UNION REPRESENTATION

**Rosemary Metrailler
Carolyn Langenkamp
Margaret Geddes**

1329 H Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
447-7255

**Free
Easter
Portraits**
Sat., March 23
10am-4pm
Midtown Photo
2127 J St. • 446-7434

real estate & financial directory

**This space
could be
yours for as
little as
\$22/issue**

INSURANCE Home Owners Life Renters Auto

Sue Wolf
Farmers Insurance
1237 J Street
441-2776



Richard 'Dirk' Fullmer
REALTOR*
967-5668

PFINGST

Realty

9978 Folsom Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95827
362-1166

PFINGST

Realty

VICKI PFINGST

Broker
9978 Folsom Blvd., Sac. 95827
P.O. Box 276 Rancho Cordova, CA

362-1166 (O)
395-0490 (H)

HARTWELL & HARTWELL Attorneys at Law

General Practice Emphasizing
Criminal Law
Driving Offenses

(916) 442-5437

1722 J Street #17A
Sacramento, CA 95814

M. JANE PEARCE Attorney at Law

1722 J Street
Suite 17
Sacramento, CA 95814

(916) 447-5458

Wills and Trusts
Real Estate
Bankruptcy & Family Law



**Trustworthy, Competent
Remy Ceci
REALTOR**
(916) 455-8054 Home
(916) 739-1212, ext. 229
(Voice Mail)

Secure your

* Property
* Business
* Employees

S.C.S. Enterprises
916/773-5057
209 Harding Blvd.
Roseville, CA 95678

news clips

By Walter Gorsky
OF MGW STAFF

Domestic partners recognized

Firemen's Insurance Company of Washington D.C. has become the first insurance company in the nation to file a homeowners policy change that recognizes domestic partners.

By redefining who is included, the new endorsement extends coverage enjoyed by spouses and relatives of policyholders.

- The Washington Blade

How are gays treated by the media?

At a recent convention of the Unitarian Universalists for Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Concerns, openly-gay KPIX Channel 5 reporter Hank Plante noted that negative gay coverage is preferable to no coverage at all. He encouraged those attending, however, to communicate news suggestions to station programming.

- The San Francisco Sentinel

Unfounded fears at Stanford on partners

Following strong negative student reaction, the Stanford University Board of Trustees gave the university's new domestic partners housing policy a "vote of confidence." Of the 11 couples that have applied so far for domestic partners' benefits, only one couple has been same sex.

- The Bay Area Reporter

AMA biggest donator to Sen. Jesse Helms

ACT-UP Boston reports that the American Medical Association is Senator Jesse Helms largest con-

tributor, even exceeding funds from tobacco giant R.J. Reynolds and Phillip Morris.

Helms, a conservative anti-gay lawmaker from North Carolina, was recently reelected.

The AMA reportedly gave \$30,000 to the Senator for his reelection campaign.

New San Francisco controller is gay

San Francisco Mayor Art Agnos recently named gay resident Ed Harrington as the city's controller. Harrington becomes the first openly gay man appointed to the city post. The controller's job requires him to maintain a balanced budget.

- The San Francisco Sentinel

U.S. Gays urge action toward Soviet policy

Protesting harassment of Soviet gay activists, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force encourages telegrams from U.S. Gays be sent to the Commission for Social and Political Organizations, dom 6, Isakovskaya Ploshad, Lensovet, Leningrad, USSR.

The commission cites a number of actions by the Soviets, including violence, as a reason for protest.

- Heartland

Harassment in Argentina continuing

The Supreme Court of Argentina will decide the status of the Comunidad Homosexual Argentina, a lesbian and gay organization in Buenos Aires.

After numerous raids and arrests by police and militia, official harassment by the government and legal loss in lower courts, the Supreme Court is the last chance for the organization to remain legal.

To support the continuation of this project, write Julie Dorf, co-

chair of the Int'l Gay and Lesbian Human Right Rights Commission, 2978 Folsom St., San Francisco, CA 94110.

She did it her way

Instead of taking her oath of office on a bible, New York State's first openly lesbian legislator Deborah Glick laid her hand on a copy of the feminist anthology Sisterhood is Powerful.

Glick represents the state district which covers Greenwich Village and lower Manhattan.

- The Washington Blade

Sign-up now for the League America list

LEAGUE America, a new grass roots social and political movement for lesbian and gay civil rights, recently came-out in Los Angeles with a huge party at Studio One.

The group is trying to collect names and address rather than money for the purpose of a letter writing campaign should 10,000 or more pro-gay opinions become necessary in dealing with the Human Rights Campaign Fund or other public entities.

For more information, write LEAGUE America, c/o Pacific Visions Communications, 9000 Sunset Blvd. Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

- The San Francisco Sentinel

Faster Disability checks available

People claiming a terminal illness will have their claims expedited, the Social Security Administration promised after a Washington man with AIDS waited 25 months for his payment. His first check arrived a month after his burial.

finance

Working Assets Visa: card with a purpose?

by Lisa Baron
& Tania Pryputniewicz
OF MGW STAFF

Environmental awareness is hot. It seems nearly impossible to pick up a magazine or watch television without being bombarded by stories of depleting rainforests, over-stuffed landfills and damaging oil-spills. "Biodegradable" and "will not harm the ozone layer" have become household phrases no longer reserved only for the environmental aware. Yet as companies vie for consumer approval with an array of products ranging from biodegradable trash bags to non-aerosol everything, the task lies ahead for us to weed out the honest from the half-hearted. Now in the 1990's the trend continues into the world of high finance with the Working Assets Visa, a credit card the Maryland Bank National Association (MBNA) claims is a "socially responsible credit card with a purpose."

A socially responsible credit card with a purpose ... is there really such a thing? According to MBNA, there is. Here's how it works: the first time you use the card \$2 goes to non-profit organizations endorsed

by MBNA. Then each additional time you use the card MBNA donates 5 cents to the same organizations. Organizations such as Amnesty International, Food First, Clean Water Fund and Rainforest Action Network are among those supported. Cardholders vote each year on how to allocate funds among the peace, economic justice, environment and human rights groups.

The question now is how do gays and lesbians benefit from the Working Assets Visa card? Currently, we don't, at least not directly. When we asked MBNA if they endorse any gay or lesbian organizations, they told us they don't. But we were also told that a gay/lesbian group could petition to join MBNA's list of sponsored organizations. If you're interested in applying for the card as an individual or petitioning as a group, call 1-800-847-7378.

Of course, on one hand it is easy to be discouraged that the seemingly opposite worlds of high finance and grassroots movements have met. But let's face it, they have. And if you have to have a credit card, this is a good one to try.▼

Would you go to a plumber for heart surgery?

Of course not. You'd go to a professional heart specialist. Enrolled Agents are professional tax specialists — all year long. They can provide expert tax planning, preparation and representation services at reasonable fees. Put a tax expert on your side. Call an Enrolled Agent.



Whitney & Killick
FINANCIAL SERVICES

(916) 486-8985

2321 Lloyd Lane, Sacramento CA 95825

media watch

by Ben Carlson
OF GLAAD SFBA

Silence of the Lambs

Jonathan Demme's new film, *Silence of the lambs*, stars Jodie Foster as an FBI agent who pursues an effeminate, cross-dressing, gay man who likes to sew and owns a poodle named Precious. Early on, he murders his own lover. He also murders women and skins them to make himself a breast vest.

Protest a film that perpetuates gay stereotypes and exploits (very brutal) violence against women by writing to Mark Platt, Vice President of Production/Orion Pictures/1888 Century Park East/Los Angeles, CA 90067 or by calling 213-282-0550 or faxing 2132010798.

San Francisco Chronicle

GLAAD recently reported on the historic first lesbian kiss on a network series, which occurred on *L.A. Law*. In a press release, we stated that *L.A. Law* has broken taboos in each of its five seasons on the air, and cited as examples the fact that in one episode last year, a lead character passed gas, and in another, a guest character suffering from Tourette's syndrome sputtered racial epithets on the witness stand.

The *Chronicle's* reaction to the press release was a mocking column by Gerald Nachman in the Friday, February 15th issue in which Nachman described an imaginary TV producer named Max Grody who creates "daring" programs on which people vomit or practice bestiality and necrophilia. "Some may say it's disgusting, but then life can be a little disgusting," says Grody.

Does the sanitization and conformity of traditional network TV offerings make Nachman feel warm and safe? Is he happy about what traditional TV says to people about their bodies? Does he find a kiss between two women "a little disgusting?" Does it make him want to turn his back on the TV set like the person in the illustration that accompanies the column?

Extend your lack of sympathy to Nachman by writing to the San Francisco Chronicle/901 Mission St./San Francisco, CA 94103.

KQED-TV

KQED TV's latest mass mailing announces that the month of March will be "pledge-free," which means they won't ask for money on the air (they ask for it in the letter). It encourages you to "take pleasure in the range of KQED's commitment to the finest commercial-free television for the entire family.... Take pride in supporting public television for the whole Bay Area."

But what kind of family are they talking about? After reading through a list of their upcoming programs (about twenty examples are given), you won't have any clue that lesbians or gays are part of the families KQED has in mind.

Why not return the business reply envelope inside their mailing with a note asking them about their programming for lesbians and gays?

Or simply write to KQED/500 Eighth Street/San Francisco, CA 94103.

In fact, KQED-TV's programming for lesbians and gays may be improving. For instance, on Wednesday, March 6, KQED will air a locally-produced hour-long show on hate violence. The producer is a gay KQED staffer, so we look forward to an inclusive treatment of the subject. But why do you suppose such a show wasn't mentioned in KQED's mailing?

KGO-TV

KGO-TV's coverage of the first day of Domestic Partnership registration was a little too straight. Although the 11 o'clock News on Valentine's Day, February 14, showed a few of the two hundred lesbian and gay couples who registered that day, none were heterosexual couples who registered.

More important is the fact that the words 'lesbian' or 'gay' were entirely missing from the report, as if lesbians and gays weren't primarily responsible for the creation and passage of this ordinance.

Write to KGO-TV 7/900 Front Street/San Francisco, CA 94111 or call KGO at 954-7777.

East Bay Express

The February 15 issue of the *East Bay Express*, the East Bay's biggest free, weekly, alternative newspaper, had a long, thorough cover story on Queer Nation's East Bay chapter. The article was written by Managing Editor Linnea Due, who is also a lesbian. Due interviewed members of Queer Nation/ East Bay and described her experiences accompanying them on some of their public actions. The article is accompanied by photographs by Chris Duffey.

Praise the Express for excellent coverage of the community by writing to Editor/East Bay Express/P.O.Box 3198/Berkeley, CA 94703.

TV Guide

TV Guide's listing of public and leased/commercial access services available on local cable stations is selective and seemingly biased against lesbians and gays. For example, listings for the American Christian TV System, National Jewish Television, and Black Entertainment Television can be found. However, Gay Cable Network, a national provider of programming for the lesbian and gay community, is not listed. GCN's award-winning coverage is perhaps best reflected by Gay USA, a weekly one-hour program that includes non-biased reporting on crucial political and health issues.

TV Guide has rebuffed previous requests by members of the lesbian and gay community to establish the listing. We think the editors of TV guide should agree that programming for the lesbian and gay community deserves the same respect they give to programming for members of other minorities and cultural groups.

Express your concern to Elizabeth Bacon/Cable Editor/TV Guide/#4 Radnor Corporate Center/Radnor, PA 19088

TV Guide recently profiled FOX-TV's comedy series, *In Living Color*

(ILC), and its Executive Producer, Keenen Ivory Wayans. The article mentioned the mixed reactions the controversial series has received in the African-American and differently abled communities, but omitted mention of the strong reactions in the lesbian and gay community to ILC's "Men on..." skits. In spite of the omission, the article featured a photograph of the "Men on..." skits' stereotypical gay male couple in drag.

It's as if *TV Guide*, like Mr. Wayans, thinks gays are good material for a little window dressing, but not for much else.

Protest the exclusion by writing to Joe Robinowitz, Editor/TV Guide/Box 500/Radnor, PA, 19088.

In the past, TV Guide has done fairly good job reporting on gay and lesbian characters as part of their regular television news coverage. We hope that these two instances are the exceptions that prove the rule.

Larry King Live

"The homosexual lifestyle is dangerous to your health. It's a major behavior that puts a person at risk."

The above pearl of wisdom comes from the mouth of Cathy Kay, a guest on a recent *Larry King Live* program devoted to homosexuality and gay rights. Kay's "qualifications" for discussing these subjects are her status as a registered nurse and her membership in an organization called California Health Care Advocates. Also appearing on the show was a member of Queer Nation/New York.

Ms. Kay's litany of misinformation included claims that people choose their sexual orientation and that homosexuality is a "behavior disorder" caused by a "breakdown in the family." But hey, these statements contradict standard medical knowledge, Nurse Kay!

Larry King isn't the first talk-show host who has trotted out a bigot for a 'balanced view' on the topic of gay rights, but that doesn't make the practice any less offensive. Write to Larry King Live/111 Massachusetts Ave., NW/Washington, DC 20001 or call CNN, the network on which King's show airs, at 202-898-7900.

Comic Relief?

WIMPS and MACHOS can be found in astrophysics. WIMPS, or Weakly Interacting Massive Particles, have such weak electromagnetic and nuclear interactions that none have yet been detected (they exist only in theory). MACHOS, or Massive Astrophysical Compact Halo Objects, are very-low-mass, dimly shining remnants of massive stars. Remember this for hours of scintillating dinner conversation.

Congratulate the media for fair, accurate and diverse coverage of lesbians and gays. Protest defamatory coverage. Notify the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation of the San Francisco Bay Area (GLAAD/SFBA) of all defamations, and if possible supply copies or recordings. The hotline/fax number are (415) 861-4588, and our mailing address is 347 Dolores St., #312/ San Francisco, CA 94110.▼

RENAISSANCE construction

Steve Neville
LICENSE NO. 384772
P.O. Box 162518
SACRAMENTO, CA 95818
916/442-6565

FEATHER YOUR NEST Home Repair



- Doors/locks
- Windows/walls
- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Painting
- Decks/fences

Free estimates
916/652-4204

Gayle Rendleman
Contr. Lic. #607765

Painting

Interior / Exterior
Faux Finishes

Decks and Fences

Landscaping

15 Years Experience

Herb & Greg
446-0459

On the Town? CARRY

a
WHISTLE
on your keychain!!!

ENGLISH GARDEN CARE



- Reasonable Rates -

For free estimate contact

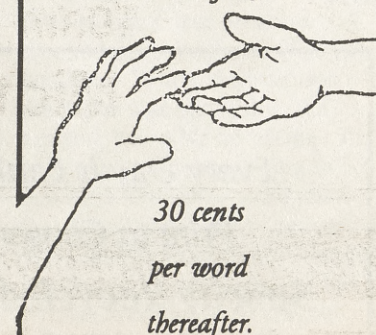
For free estimate contact
J. Taylor Daniels
(916) 489-8903

Create a Relationship

FREE

First 25

words free,



30 cents

per word

thereafter.

See page 23 for more information

7 Years Experience



Looking for Competent Cleaning?
Wimpy's Carpet Care

- Carpet Cleaning
- Repairs
- Janitorial
- Commercial & Residential

Robert Peterson
444-8810

OLGA'S



Licensed & Bonded

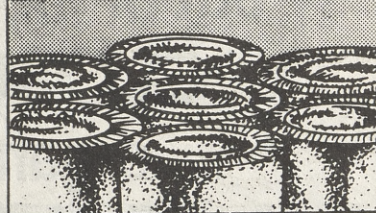
Household Services Agency

"When You Want The Best"

453-0762

- Housekeeping
- Washing • Ironing
- Cooking • Shopping
- Parties • Serving

\$6 OFF ON FIRST SERVICE



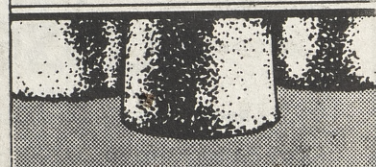
Hardwick's Carpets

WE SELL & INSTALL
QUALITY AT
WAREHOUSE PRICES
CALL

454-0603

For free estimate

SCL No. 537005



Where to write ...

To let the media know how you feel (favorably or unfavorably) about the portrayal of the gay lifestyle...

KCRA, Channel 3, 3 Television Circle, Sac. 95814; KVIE, Channel 6, Box 6, Sac. 95833
KXTV, Channel 10, 400 Broadway, Sac. 95818; KQVR, Channel 13, 2713 KQVR Drive, West Sac. 95605;
KRBK, Channel 31, 500 Media Place, Sac. 95818; KTXL, Channel 40, 4655 Fruitridge Road, Sac. 95820;
KSCH, Channel 58, 3033 Gold Canal Dr., Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

"Eye-Popping" dance performances in Davis

The *New York Times* once wrote, "Whatever it is, Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane and Co. is not your everyday dance troupe." In the same article, though, the nationally respected journal stated that this company does create "sexy, powerful and at times extremely poignant theater ... (with) eye-popping performances." Audiences of UC Davis Presents will have the opportunity to create their own description of Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane and Co. when they perform on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 9 and 10, at 8pm in the Main Theatre.

Bill T. Jones and the late Arnie Zane (who died in March of 1988 from AIDS related lymphoma) formed a full-time company in 1982 after 11 years of working together as a duet company. The troupe quickly gained a reputation for eloquent, sculptural tableaux, intensely dramatic gestures, compelling forms of body juxtaposition and partnering, as well as awesome virtuosic feats.

Tickets for the two evening performances are \$10 for UC Davis Students and \$15 for the General Public, available at the UC Davis Campus Box Office, 752-1915, BASS/TM outlets, 923-BASS. ▼

Gay youth wanted

Gay Youth Community Coalition of the Bay Area (GYCC) is searching for groups, services, and businesses sensitive to youth, students and young adults. GYCC is preparing a comprehensive guide of resources for "Younger Gays" throughout United States and Canada.

Resources serving young gays/lesbians/bisexuals under 25 years of age are important to us. Youth groups, counseling/employment/roommate services, professionals, dance bars, bookstores, publications, etc. are being sought.

Anyone interested in receiving further details including advertising rates contact: "We Are Here," 2215 Market St., #479, San Francisco 94114-1612. Distribution of "We Are Here" is scheduled for mid June '91. ▼

Every Day is Earth Day

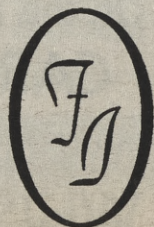
Print to Conserve

Specify Recycled Paper

Meeting Federal EPA Guidelines for
50% post-consumer waste paper content

First Impression Printing

MEETING ALL YOUR PRINTING NEEDS



2330
Alhambra
Blvd.
Sacramento
(916)
737-0115

On the Town?

CARRY A WHISTLE

on your keychain!!!

Now that you've come
out of the closet, let
CLOSETTEC
organize it!



- Free consultation and design
- Residential and commercial
- Closet/Special storage systems
- Custom garage systems
- Custom built in our factory
- Neatly, quickly installed
- Steel hardware
- Furniture-grade wood products
- Custom sized drawers
- Cabinet doors
- Fully guaranteed
- Fully insured

CLOSETTEC
There is a difference... and we build it!

Call NOW for a FREE at-home consultation or visit our convenient showrooms.

5665 Power Inn Rd. #100 Sacramento 916/383-2999

© 1989 Closettec Franchise Corp.

social affairs

National Women's History Month in Sacramento

Part 1: CSUS celebrates with sharing

By Jim Walker
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

March is National Women's History Month and the California State University at Sacramento as well as the California Commission on the Status of Women and a host of other groups are celebrating with informational speaking panels and social events throughout the month.

"Peace, Courage and Healing, through Women's Eyes," was the theme of the CSUS series of presentations that encompassed five days beginning March 4. Discussions included Women and AIDS; Asian Women, A Cross Cultural Overview; Perceptions and Misperceptions: Women in Higher Education Today; A Brief History of 500 Years of Native Peoples This Country; Big Mountain: A Woman's Struggle; Chemical Dependency: Women's Issues; The Other Side of Death: Who to call, what to do; Birth Control Update; Be Kind to Yourself; Living the Healing Life; Cycling Through Womanhood: From Menarche to Menopause; International Perspectives on Strategies for Women's Empowerment; Lesbian Coming-Out Panel and more than 10 other seminars.

At the Lesbian coming-out panel, it was an intimate process of sharing.

The stories were all very different, but all shared the common bond of a difficult process, the process of coming-out.

"I was pretty sure I was gay, then I took a psychology class and realized I was a lesbian," Gail Henderson, a social science graduate student. "One day my sister asked me if I was gay and I said yes and that I was going to tell Mom and Dad when I was ready. The first thing she did was drive to Grass Valley and tell them everything."

"My parents didn't act like 'what did we do wrong?' More than anything they were worried that I had a life of sadness and pain ahead of me," said Henderson.

"I had to come-out because I felt like I was living a lie when people I cared about didn't know."

Henderson says she is now out just about everywhere. A Queer Nation Tee-Shirt sits on the table, the tee-shirt she often wears to work.

"People need to know that gay and lesbian people are not freaks, not child molesters, we are good, decent people," she said.

Jennifer Parsons is very out on campus. She is President of the CSUS branch of the National Organization for Women and a student assistance in the Women's Resource Center.

"I came-out about a year ago. All through high school I was very heterosexual. I dated and went to the prom and all that," said Parsons.

She started college. Money was tight and she had to find a roommate or two as it evolved, one of

which was a lesbian. "I moved in and live for a while and watched her and at some point that I had a crush on her."

"It was about this time that I found-out my mother was a lesbian also. My mother told me I was gay before I told her."

"Anyway, the roommate was 31, professional- very high on the job. I think I was intimidated a lot by her. It went bad and I later moved-out."

"My mother has fears- she wants me to be happy."

Denise Okamoto, a Japanese-American faced very different challenges. At 18, she had a long-time boyfriend, a drug abuse problem, and expectations of traditional Japan on her shoulders.

She got "clean-up" the same year with the help of a chemical dependency center and the support of parents reluctant to violate Japanese culture by looking outside the family for help.

"As soon as I stopped drinking, I had the power to come-out and I just shot out-of the closet," said Okamoto. "I was lucky I guess because I was able to make really clear decisions and I was also able to research and learn a lot about myself."

Because both Okamoto's mother and father are very traditional, they raised her with the expectation she would serve them and her children.

"As I learned more about being a lesbian, I realized that the traditional Japanese culture, women serving men, was not going to be a part of my life." Okamoto is the

Like Okamoto, Salud Garcia knows how culture can be involved in coming-out.

"People of color don't always get what PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) says because it comes from a white prospective. Family is often a much stronger force in hispanic families than in white families. People of color really have some different issues and really need their own PFLAG groups," said Garcia.

Garcia came-out more than five years ago, and July 17 since she has had a "coming-out" party to celebrate the experience.

"The first lesbian I knew, I call her DJ- we worked side by side and we had a good relationship. She lent me a book- 'Loving Someone Gay,' by Don Clark. I read the book and kept saying 'this sounds like me. Finally I realized that I was a lesbian.'"

"I found in coming-out, if I had a good relationship with a family member before, coming-out only made that stronger."

"I feel like honesty is the best policy, but I can understand why some women can't always be strong like that."

Following the stories of the four panelists, some of the other 15 or so women present told their stories.

"One night I was talking to my Mom on the phone and I said I was going 'out' later. She asked where I was going and I said 'to a bar.' She asked if she could go and I said something like 'that wouldn't be a good idea.' She asked what kind-of

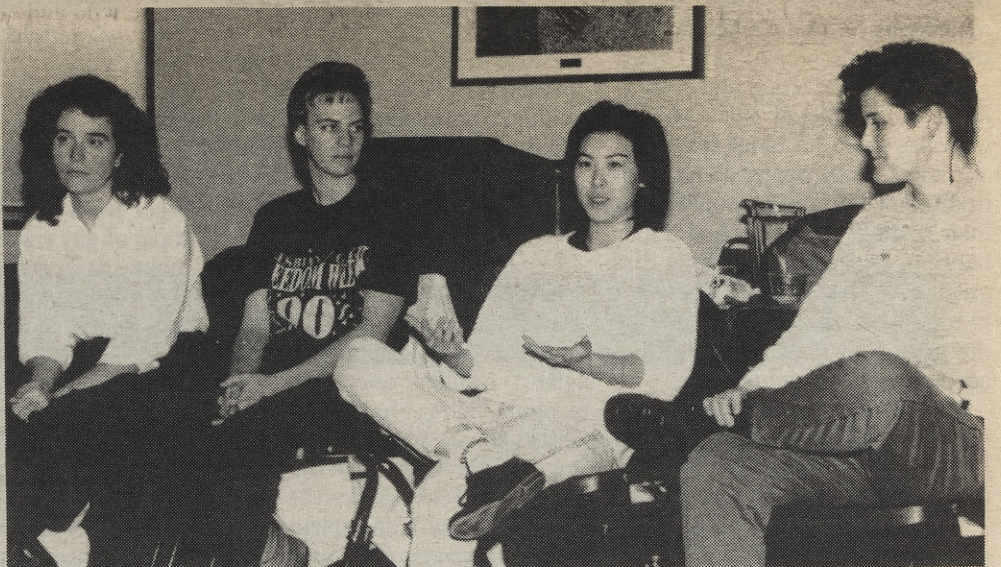


Photo by Pamela Coffey

Salud Garcia, Jennifer Parsons, Denise Okamoto and Gail Henderson tell their coming out stories with pride.

first child to move away from home.

She has been with her current partner about a year as says she is "very happy." She even took her partner to a New Year's Party at her family's home. She said it was hard to hide her lover: "she's 5'9 and white- you just can't miss her."

A few days after, her mother asked her if she was gay. "I said 'no' because I knew she couldn't freak-out. Then my Dad asked me on the phone later and I just said 'yes.' And once you say that you can't say 'I'm kidding.' So I had to stand-up for myself."

Okamoto says she is composing a letter to dispel some of the myths about homosexuality she feels her parents have. "They don't perceive it to be possible- for me to be happy and gay."

"Shame is a very strong thing in Japanese culture. I do not want to be disowned. When you're disowned in Japanese culture, you're disowned from the entire family."

bar and I finally said 'a place for gay women.' She came with us that night and had a really good time."

There was also a brief discussion regarding the use of "gay" versus "lesbian."

Parsons said she preferred the word lesbian because "there is no male in it. When you say gay, you eventually have to say gay woman. I prefer lesbian because you don't have any 'man' in there."

The California Commission on the Status of Women presents "California Women Together: Nurturing Tradition, Fostering Change," a conference on March 19-21 in Sacramento.

The meeting features include small group networking, a resource area, an information and job faire rally, and a rally on Tuesday, March 19 on the West Steps of the Capitol.

For more information, call 445-3173. ▼

flash

by John Batchelor
OF MGW STAFF

(For phone numbers and details on events mentioned in this column, check the calendar and organization information in the back of the paper.)

While dancing around the house in a frugal attempt to stimulate some rain activity, my wishes finally came true. Here's hoping that March showers all of us with a spring of peaceful productive changes ● *TIME Magazine* is definitely doing better when it Comes to gay/lesbian issues ... in a recent special issue (Fall, 1990, Vol. 136, No. 19) on **Women: The Road Ahead** they included **The Lesbians Next Door!!** ● Congratulations to **Randy Hartley** on his appointment to the **Happy Birthday, Ernie!**

Boulevard Park Neighborhood Association. Randy will be chairing the Public Relations & Communications Committee ● Not too long ago **Christopher Rodgers** was part of the *Sacramento Bee's* "Street Talk" poll. Included in the Neighbors section was a photograph. When asked about the governor, Christopher replied with thoughtful foresight ● Since this reporter has not been feeling up to par (sinuses not working) he missed the big bash celebrating **Ernie Brown's** 60th birthday. From all accounts I am saddened to have missed it. Many happy returns to a true blue supporter of our community ● Happy March birthdays to: our man in the Capitol **Ron Gray**, the man no one sees, **Steve Sanchez**,

Shirley Kammeyer, **Pamela Coffey**, **Pica**, **Keyth Cameron**, **Sonya Cox**, *MGW* HIV Editor, 37 again!! (how many times is this now, Sonya?), **Kim Brownlee**, Director of the infamous Sutter's Stompers Cloggers, the gorgeous **Russ Marsh** of the Sacramento Men's Chorus, the adorable couple **Whitney Davis** and **Edmond Blagdon**, BOTH celebrating this month, the irrepressible **Dan Clay**, director of this year's annual PAARC show, scheduled for July ● The bar scene in Sacramento edges towards Saint Patrick's Day with vim and vigor! **Empress Vannah** and friends report that the newest establishing in town "Our Place" made them feel quite welcome. The crowd is hoping that Vannah & Co. return soon **Faces** is experimenting with a new venue: "Monday Night Cabaret." Can you sing, dance or tell jokes? This may be the experience or exposure you need. Sac is getting so cosmopolitan **La Kish** over at the Mercantile held another successful auction for the Fairy Godfather's Fund recently. For more wild and crazy events -- stay tuned Had a great visit at the **Buffalo Club** not long ago. The jovial crowd was quite friendly. One woman even bought me a drink! Another

couple (who love the "Buff") were concerned it was losing its identity with all the renovations. Stop by and let them know what you think. And ladies night happens every Wednesday **Joseph's Town & Country (JTC)** is becoming the place for big events. The annual Camp Awards take place on March 23. It is always a night to remember. Check out the Mainstream at JTC. It is an innovative late night concept open until 3am! While you are there you may want to try the "Colossal Burger." **The Town House** holds its own with a great staff, great food and a great crowd. the **Lambda** workshop I attended recently was catered by the **Town House**. Everyone present could not get enough **The Wreck Room** features classic music of the 50's, 60's, 70's with **Doug** every Wednesday. The late night weekend crowd also can't be beat ● Construction is continuing at a feverish pace at the **Lambda Center**. The basement is soon to be the new theatre space. **The Fantasticks** open April 6 with a boy meets boy version (a must see). Bravo to all involved in the production of *Cloud Nine*. After viewing this fast paced British farce, it was evident to me that the **Lambda Players** could tackle

anything. It was rumored that after taking costume inventory, one pair of lace panties was missing. Many of the actors suspect **Lee Cranfield**. What's up Lee?? ● In other theatre news, **Garbeau's Dinner Theatre** opens March with *Crossing Delancey*. All you true romantics should mark your calendars. After the show stick around and dance at the VIP Cabaret Club. It's a fun setting where everyone is comfortable. The cage dancers however may startle you ● The **Lambda Players** were also featured in a full page review in *MGW*, as well as a *Sutertown News* front page article. The *Sutertown* piece was all about gay theatre but sported an "ACT UP" headline. While the intention of the paper was admirable, the heading was a bit deceiving. In any case, it was reassuring to see that **Neil Treganza** wore jeans that did not have the knees torn ● The **Lambda Community Center's** Keeping It Up workshop of late was an overwhelming success (over 50 men). **Dr. Marty McCombs** from Los Angeles was the facilitator. In one exercise **Franklin John Kakies** received a most passionate kiss from our dashing facilitator. The meeting had to be suspended briefly while

See FLASH on page 13



Ernie Brown celebrated his 60th birthday among plenty of friends. Photo by Art Farmer

THE CHOSEN FAMILY



Bittersweet by Charles Haver



MAN TO MAN
CONTACTS

TALKING PERSONAL ADS
ARRANGED BY
AREA CODE

CALL TODAY,
MAKE A DATE TONIGHT!

1-900-329-1819 \$2 first min.
\$1 each add'l. min.
INSTANT PRIVATE VOICE MAIL BOXES

1-900-226-M6A2L5E3 \$1.95 per min.
DIRECT CONTACTS WITH PHONE NUMBERS
PLUS TRUE GAY CONFESSIONS

DIAL IN YOUR AREA CODE

GET ADS FROM MEN IN YOUR
LOCAL AREA - NOT FROM ALL
ACROSS THE COUNTRY!

RECORD YOUR OWN PERSONAL
AD TODAY AND MEET MEN IN
YOUR LOCAL AREA TONIGHT!



MEN!
1-900-844-2002



Record Free! (916) 443-7681

Give me some HEAT!

Call now and hear provocative guys in the category of your choice tell you exactly what they're like, what turns them on, and give you their private phone numbers so you can contact them right away for hot times!

CHOICE 1 **LEATHERMEN**
Tops, bottoms, and much more
...for MEN who hang tough.

CHOICE 2 **CROSSDRESSERS**
Transvestites, transsexuals, plus
anyone wishing to meet them.

CHOICE 3 **BLACK HEAT**
Men of color plus anyone
seeking gay or bi men of color.

AT LEAST 45 DIFFERENT TALKING PERSONALS EACH DAY

Call **1-900-990-HEAT**

AVAILABLE NATIONWIDE • JUST 99c PER MINUTE + \$1 CONNECTION CHARGE

CALL NOW!



CONNECTIONS USA #1
IN THE USA!

1-900-646-4646

- "Talking Personals" in over 25 Gay categories
- Meet Nice Guys for Dating and Friendship
- Meet Hot Guys that like to get REAL WILD!
- Fun - Safe - Easy to use - Open 24 hours

Gay owned & operated - \$2/min. More info: (305) 565-4455, Ext: 2321

192 PAGES
OVER 1,000 REVIEWS

**PLUS
FULL
PAGE
COLOR
PHOTOS**

**A GREAT VIDEO GUIDE,
GET IT!**

Great reviews, great action photos, a stunning video guidebook loaded with color and detail that really tells you what's good and what's not. You'll find all the top skin flick performers featured, the most current videos rated and reviewed with explicit plots, sexual themes and performance noted. Picking the best here is a delight not to be missed.

Only \$7.95

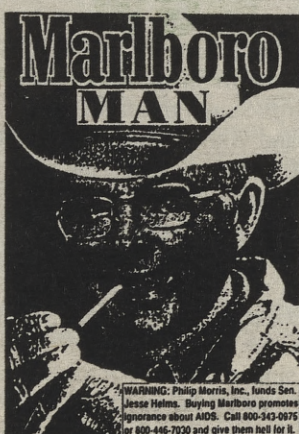
Compiled by John W. Rowberry
Published by Adam Film World
192 pgs, 8-1/8" x 10-7/8", perfect bound

FILM WORLD DIRECTORY 1990
Dept. MGW, Response K904
8060 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90046
Please send copies of your ADAM FILM
WORLD 1991 DIRECTORY OF GAY ADULT VIDEO for
\$7.95 each.

Enclosed is \$ check cash money order,
payment in full, plus \$2.50 postage (USA only, \$3.75
foreign). Please allow up to 4 weeks for delivery.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Signature X _____
I certify that I am 21 years of age or older.

**JESSE HELMS
IS THE REAL**



BOYCOTT MARLBORO!
ACT UP/DC P.O. BOX 9318, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20003 (202) 728-7330

court report

Old-fashioned girls

by Hal Griffiths
OF MGW STAFF

True spirit and fun was very evident at the Merc when Imperial Crown Princess Miss Robby put on an old-fashioned drag show. It was a paint your face, bring a tape and have a good time type of evening. (Empress Vannah remembers the day when you brought an LP!) All the girls in town came out to celebrate and everyone had a fabulous time. Later that evening was the beginning of the end as the Empress accepted applications for contestants for the next Emperor and Empress. If you want to know the results, the introduction of candidates will be at "La Cage Awful" on Sunday, March 17 at the Tuesday Club.

City lights

It's been a busy traveling time for the Empress these past few weeks. The Mother court of them all, San Francisco, had their coronation the last weekend of February. The glamour of the silver anniversary celebration set the tone for their entire weekend. Marlena and Simeon, along with their hardworking courtmembers, were the perfect hosts. From the out-of-town show, through coronation and concluding with victory brunch, the entire time was fun, well organized and exciting. Empress Vannah was able to catch up with many of her court friends from far away, including Andrew and Ryan from Toronto and Steph and Vic from Seattle

Do you know the way to San Jose?

If the first weekend in March seemed empty of courtmembers, it was because so many of them went to San Jose to celebrate the end of the reign for Michael and Kelli. They have been two of the hardest working monarchs on the circuit and very supportive of all of the courts of CGNIE, Inc.

Large Marge, Sacramento's most popular ambassadress-at-large, left the capitol early Thursday so as not to disappoint the boys in San Jose. And, of course, they weren't disappointed a bit!

Empress Vannah left Friday afternoon in the rain and gloom. By the time she'd made it to San Jose, the sporadic precipitation had cleared and it looked like it would be a beautiful weekend for "Circus of the Stars."

Vannah was escorted to the out-of-town show at the Savoy by her Imperial Escort, Dennis. The bar was packed with people waiting to

See COURT on page 14

**LET'S
DO
IT!**



**FREE
CALL!**

CALL NOW!

1-800-676-GUYS

CREDIT CARD NOT NEEDED ©1991 REAL PEOPLE, LTD.

FLASH

Continued from page 11

Mr. Frank was resuscitated ● Nearly 20 members of the River City Democratic Club (RCDC) attended the State Party Convention in Oakland. The RCDC group served as volunteers on the convention staff. One of my contacts agreed to pass along any "hanky panky" incidents that might occur. However the group worked so diligently that all involved were too tired to get "involved." Come on gang, we need a little spice next time ● The June 1st AIDS WALK Sacramento is not far off. Let's ALL take part in some way in this essential grand fund-raiser. CARES, SAF, EL HOGAR and WCIC are all proud sponsors of this event. Call 552-6767 to sign up for a two-hour stint ● One dance event that always sends chills up my spine is City Swing with vocalist Gail Wilson! This 18 piece big band is notorious for consistently bringing down the house (so to speak). It all takes place at the Marine's Memorial Club in San Francisco on March 17 from 5-9pm. With the earlier time frame, you can make it back to Sacramento in time for the 11 o'clock news. This is a mandatory assignment for all my past and present students. After a night with City Swing you will be right with the world ● Healthy Living (an ongoing process) continues its series with the Legal Aspects of HIV on March 18. This invaluable resource meets at the SAF headquarters from 7-9pm. Learn about the law, HIV and you. HIV negative people can also benefit from this information. In related news, there is still time to catch the next Buddy Connection safe sex workshop in the evening on March 15 ● Congratulations to the latest "graduates" of SAF's Hand-to-Hand training. With a much smaller staff, the contributions of these men and women are appreciated now more than ever ● The SAGA swim team is now the Sacramento Heat Waves. With our local weather and the temperament of the members; the new name, logo and hopefully banner could not be more appropriate. The small but mighty team is off to the Los Angeles International Gay/Lesbian Aquatics (IGLA) at the end of March. At some point the team hopes to have its own pool and of course more members. At present they practice and are freely accepted with the YMCA's "Sacramento Masters" swim team. Go Heatwaves! ● Branching out into all areas of dance, our community is making an impressive showing. MCC Church dances on Friday nights are overflowing and square dancing is going strong. Everything continues weekly including my classes which resume again on April 8 ● Performing Artists for AIDS-Related Charities (PAARC) is looking for salespeople to sell ads Mondays thru Fridays between now and July for the upcoming PAARC show. Good way to earn extra \$\$\$ (call Robby at 442-2686 for details) ● Speaking of Robby, she sure is looking gorgeous these days. The word is out that she's using her own hair and nails. Many a fan is waiting for the answer. Is it true? ● Happy St. Patrick's Day 1991 John ▼

MGW

Distribution List

Sacramento

MGW Newspaper.....1725 L Street
Buffalo Club.....19th & S Street
Faces.....20th & K Street
Joseph's Town & Country.....2062 Auburn Blvd.
Townhouse.....21st & O Street
Mercantile.....20th & L Street
The Wreck Room.....2513 Broadway
AIDS Foundation.....1900 K Street
Tower Books.....2538 Watt Ave.
Tower Books.....Broadway & 18th
Tower Books.....5950 Florin Rd.
Tower Books.....7830 Macy Plaza Dr., C.H.
Tower Theater.....Broadway & 16th
YWCA.....17th & L Street
Incredible Edible Rest.....1401 Alhambra
Lambda Center.....L & 20th
Sac Food Co-Op.....1900 Alhambra
Midtown Video.....2425 J Street
Lioness Books.....2224 J Street
Time Tested Books.....1114 21st Street
Let's Celebrate.....2318 J Street
Cares.....2710 Capitol Ave.
Judy's Gifts & Books.....2231 J Street
Fox & Goose.....1001 R Street
Western Bar.....K Street at 20th
MCC Church.....2741 34th Street

Davis

Newsbeat.....231 E Street

IT PAYS TO
ADVERTISE
in

MGW

Advertise your
Business in
MGW
Newspaper



FREE*

GAY PARTY LINE

SPEAK TO MEN FROM ALL OVER THE
WORLD... NO RESTRICTIONS!!

011-599-6868

REGULAR LONG DISTANCE INTERNATIONAL TOLL CHARGES APPLY

GET A WOMAN...

ROMANCE
CONNECTION
1-900-844-2002

SAFE SEX
HEADQUARTERS
1-900-844-6922

CALIFORNIA'S MOST
POPULAR MEETING
PLACES FOR
GAY WOMEN!

RECORD FREE! (916) 443-7681

STRYKER REVEALS ALL!! VIVID FANTASIES OF A LEGEND

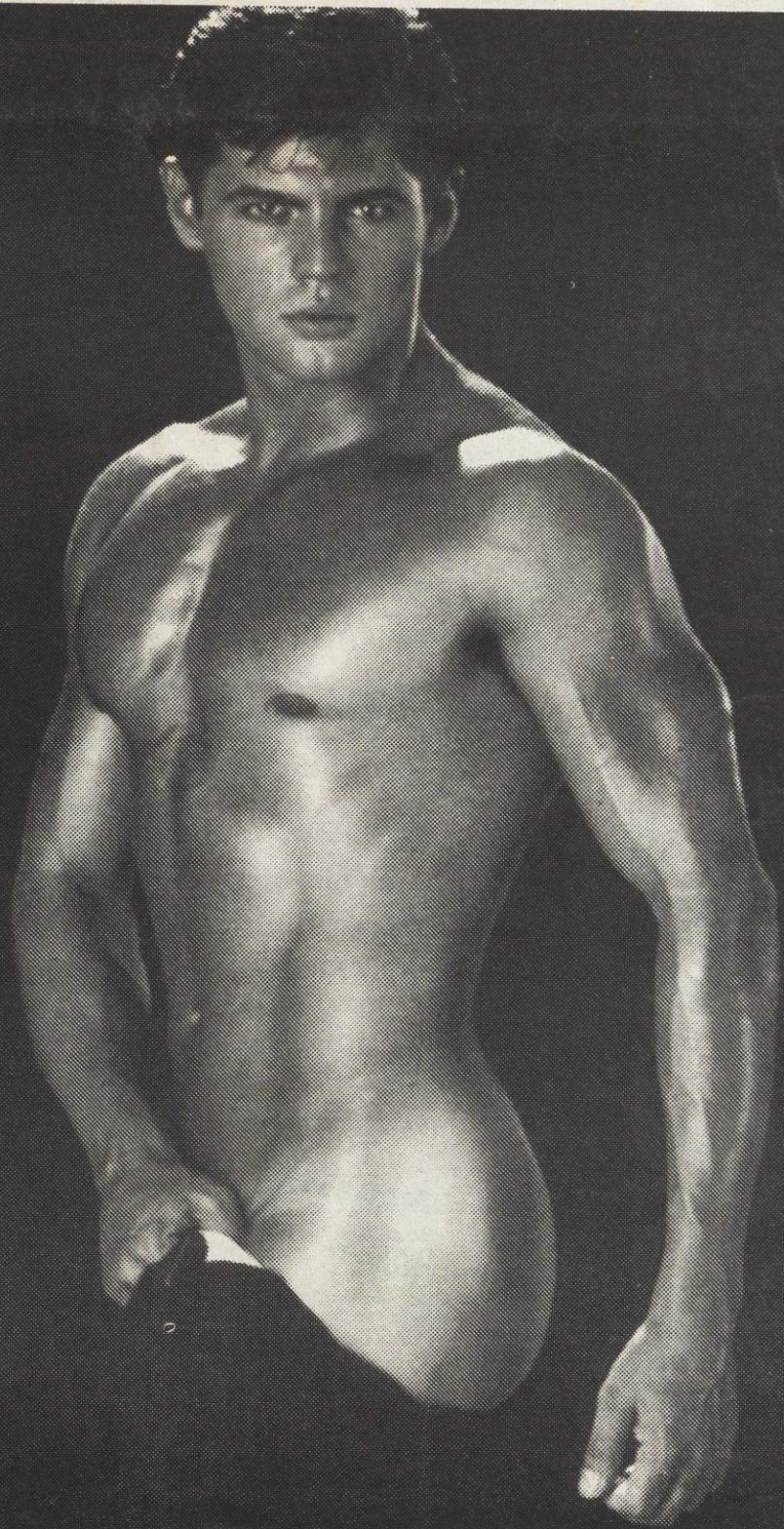
1-900-872-7879

JUST \$2 PER MIN.

CALL 24 HRS.

ADULTS ONLY

FREE
POSTER
EVERY
TIME
YOU
CALL



organizations

ACTIVIST GROUPS

ACT UP/Sacramento
Hotline 552-1996

GAY/LESBIAN ALLIANCE AGAINST
DEFAMATION (GLAAD) 552-1935

LAMBDA LETTERS PROJECT
6212 Silverton Wy., Carmichael 95608
965-6851

NATL. ORG. FOR WOMEN (NOW)
Box 1404, 95807 442-3414, 443-3470
3rd Weds., 7pm, Coloma Comm. Center

LAMBDA COMMUNITY FUND
Box 163654, 95816
Jerry, 381-3115, 442-0185

SAC GAY & LESBIAN TOWN COUNCIL
(SGLTC), Lambda Center
4th Tues., 7:30pm

STONEWALL ALLIANCE OF CHICO
Box 8855, Chico, 95927
Eric 343-8767

ADDICTION RECOVERY

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
(Gay meetings) North Hall
454-1100 for schedule

ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS
MCC Church 35th & Broadway (2nd floor)
Sat. 12:30-2pm

AL-ANON
Unitarian Church 2425 Sierra Blvd. Sun. 6-7pm

CODA
Lambda Comm. Center, 1931 L St.
Thurs. 7pm

CO-DEPENDENTS OF ALCOHOLICS
Friends Community Church (basement)
41st & E streets Mon. 8pm

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS
Lambda Comm. Center 1931 L St. (2nd floor)
Fri. 8pm

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS
Sutter Memorial Hospital 2nd floor conf.
30th & L streets Wed., 8pm

DEBTORS ANONYMOUS
9616 Mikron Ave., Off Bradshaw
Thurs. 7-8:30pm

SEX & LOVE ADDICTS ANONYMOUS
Quinie Club House McKinley Blvd. & H St.
Thurs. 7:30-9pm

INCEST SURVIVORS ANONYMOUS
756-8181, ask for a male or female mtg.

THE EFFORT
Outpatient Counseling Clinic 1820 J St.
444-6294 M-Th 9am-6pm; F 9am-6pm

CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY CENTER
FOR WOMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES
448-2951

NICOTINE ANONYMOUS
6029 San Juan Ave. Sunrise Bookstore
969-6695 Sundays, 6pm

THE OPEN QUEST INSTITUTE
1-800-STOP-NOW

COMPUTER GROUPS

ACROPOLIS
2620 Hazel Ave., F.O. 95628
Will 967-5817, 966-5678

PARTHENON
2620 Hazel Ave., F.O. 95628
Will 443-5817, 927-2702, 966-5678

CULTURAL GROUPS

DAVIS WOMEN'S READING CIRCLE
Christine 758-2875 4th Thurs.

WOMEN'S CULTURAL PRODUCTION OF
CHICO Lindy 916-345-4762

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
2131 Capitol Ave., #206, 95816 444-6903
4th Weds., 6:30pm, City Hall

LESBIAN RIGHTS PROJECT
1370 Mission St., S.F. 94103

EVENT GROUPS

LAMBDA FREEDOM FAIR COMMITTEE
442-0185

GAY CENTER

LAMBDA COMMUNITY CENTER
1931 L St., Donna Yutzy, 442-0185

HEALTH

WOMEN'S HEALTH RESOURCE
Sutter Community Hospital 733-3000

HIV/AIDS

AIDS FOUNDATION
1900 K St., #201 448-AIDS

HIV/SUPPORT LUTHERAN GROUP
Church of Our Redeemer 4641 Marconi Ave.,
Fireside Rm. 483-5691, 456-9642

FAMILY MEMBERS SUPPORT GROUP FOR
HIV/AIDS Church of Our Redeemer
4641 Marconi Ave. Fireside Room 7pm

MOTHERS ONLY
(SAF) 1900 K St., #201 Francis 646-6122

PLACER AIDS FOUNDATION
12183 Lodsley Ln., #205
Auburn, 95603 889-AIDS

SAC AID TO AIDS
Box 255774, 95865 Joe P. Garrett, 929-3417

PEOPLE TOGETHER (SUPPORT GROUP HIV)
MCC Social Hall 2741 34th St. 454-4762
Tuesdays, 7:30pm

PSSN NEWSLETTER
447-5925

SAN JOAQUIN AIDS FOUNDATION
4410 Pershing Ave., #C5
Stockton, 95207 209-476-8533

SIERRA AIDS COUNCIL
Box 1062, Sonoma 95370 209-984-5531

YOLO HOSPICE
211 E St., Davis Box 1014, Davis, 95614
Eva 758-5566, 372-5863, 686-3774

HOBBIES

BARBARY COAST BOATING CLUB
Sac. Delta, SF Bay, 847 Oak St., S.F. 94117
415-255-1049, 916-972-9317

VALLEY GRILLS CAR CLUB
John Sturla 381-0789

HOTLINES

AIDS HOTLINE 800-342-AIDS
HEARING IMPAIRED 800-AIDS-TTY,
SPANISH 800-334-7432 - CIDA

CALIFORNIA RUNAWAY HOTLINE
800-843-5200

DISCOVER SACRAMENTO HOTLINE
449-5566

NATL. HATE CRIME HOTLINE
Report gay bashings 800-347-HATE

PET LOSS
752-4200

MEDIA

MGW NEWSPAPER
1725 L St., 95814 441-NEWS (9-5 weekdays)

BEING GAY TODAY
Cable Channel 63 Ron Hatch 392-7025
Tues., 10pm; Thurs., 9pm

GAY/LESBIAN OUTREACH
Cable Channel 47 Sats., 10am;
Thurs., 8pm; Fri., 3pm

MCC MINISTRY
Cable Channel 47 Mondays, 10pm; Tuesdays,
5pm; Weds., noon

PARENTING/FAMILY

GAY FATHERS OF SACRAMENTO
456-3237 2nd Sundays

PARENTS & FRIENDS OF LESBIANS AND GAYS
2391 St. Marks Way, Box 2163, W. Sac. 95691
Merrill Follansbee, 444-9510
3rd Tuesdays, 7:30pm

PARENTS FLAG SPEAKERS BUREAU
Linda Leighton, 342-6200

QUAD SOCIETY
Bisexual family-oriented educational
& recreational group. Box 660664, Sac. 95866

PERFORMING ARTS

CAPITAL CITY SQUARE DANCE CLUB
William Land School Tuesdays, 6:30pm
12th & V St., 8pm George Fox 447-2271

SACRAMENTO MEN'S CHORUS
Box 188726, 95818

SACRAMENTO WOMEN'S CHORUS
Martie 756-5658, 753-6022 Mondays, 6:30pm

POLITICIANS

ASSEMBLYMAN PHIL ISENBERG
1215 19th St., #102, 95814, Allison Harvey/Michael
Alcalay, 324-4676

ASSEMBLYMAN LLOYD CONNELLY
2705 K St., #6, 95816, Pat MacDonald, 443-1183

POLITICAL GROUPS

CALIFORNIA CAPITOL POLITICAL
ACTION COMMITTEE (CAPAC)
1008 10th St., #255, 95814 736-2722

GALAPAC
Box 46577 West Hollywood, 90046

LOBBY FOR INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM
& EQUALITY (LIFE) 926 J St., #1020, 95814
444-0424

RIVER CITY DEMOCRATIC CLUB (RCDC)
Box 161958, 95816, Judy 429-2806,
Lou 689-3318; meet 3rd Tues., 6:30pm,
Lambda Comm. Center

PROFESSIONAL GROUPS

GAY & LESBIAN UNIV. OF CALIF. EMPLOYEES
John Bennett, 424-5717

SAC GAY REAL ESTATE ASSOCIATION
921-6642 1st Thursdays

SAC TRADESWOMEN
456-5555 2nd Fridays

SAC AREA GAY & LESBIAN EDUCATORS
Box 2712, Elk Grove 95759
Norman Lorenz 682-8948
Frank Lawler 485-7960 Tom Harp 456-6673

RELIGION/SPIRITUALITY

AFFIRMATION
(United Methodist for Lesbian and Gay
Concerns) Ellie, Jeanne, 489-2340

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER
4641 Marconi Ave.
Pastor Todd VanLaningham 483-5691,
456-9642 Sun. 10:15

CONFERENCE FOR CATHOLIC LESBIANS
Kathleen 362-4133 1st Saturdays

CONGREGATION SHA'AR ZAHAV
220 Danvers St., S.F. 94114 415-861-6932

DIGNITY
Box 161765, 95816, 2nd, 4th Sun. 441-0427

ST. FRANCIS CHAPEL
26th & K 441-0427 2nd, 4th Sun., 3pm

LAVENDER PAGAN NETWORK
Box 1688, Elk Grove 95759
Joseph 687-6042

DELTA HARVEST MCC
Box 8323, Stockton 95208
1st Unitarian Church, Pacific
& Bristol 209-473-7075 Sun., 6:30pm

RIVER CITY MCC
Box 24125, 95824; 3418 Broadway 454-4762
Worship: Sun., 9am, 11am, 6pm TV Minis
try, Ch. 47: Mon. 10pm; Tues. 5pm; Weds. noon

REACH OUT: Jehovah Witness/Mormons
Box 1173 Cladamas, OR 97015
Sharon Tyner, 503-657-0620

DAVIS MOONCIRCLE (Goddess/Pagan)
Davis Unitarian Universalist Church
27074 Patwin Rd. Kay 758-7727 2nd
Sun., 7:30pm

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY
OF SACRAMENTO
2425 Sierra Blvd. Sunday celebration 11am;
Rev. Douglas Morgan Strong 483-9283

RESTORATION CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
LDS, RLDS Church Bld., 2331
K St. Sunday School 1:30 Sacramento meeting
2:30 444-8291

SOCIAL/

NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS

ALTERNATIVE CONNECTION FOR WOMEN
IN THE VALLEY 209-478-4447

CAPITOL CITY SOCIAL CLUB
Box 160752, Sac. 95816 Bud 971-9696

CGNIE
Box 160636, 95816 447-0345, 927-9540
1st Tues.

EL DORADO WOMEN'S CENTER
3133 Gilmore St., Placerville, 95667
626-1450, 626-1131

FLAGS (Foothill Lesbian and Gay Social)
Box 4982, Auburn, 95604 2nd Saturday

Foothills Alternative Women's Newsletter
(FAWN) Nevada, Placer & El Dorado Counties
272-6544, 265-9312

INTERNATIONAL MS LEATHER INC
2215 R Market St., #450, S.F. 94114

IF THE SHOE FITS (El Dorado Lesbian/Gay
Network) Box 2215, Placerville, 95667 622-
8690

NUDE EXCHANGE (NTE)
Box 1624, North Highlands 95660

SACRAMENTO AREA WOMEN'S NETWORK
(SACWN) Linda Klink 486-8985 3rd Fri, 6:30pm

PILLARS
331-3602 alternating Fridays, 6:30pm

SAC PULSE (Women's card group)
Gloria 368-1051

SACRAMENTO WOMEN'S CENTER
2306 J St., #200 441-4207

SOLANO COUNTY GAY INFO LINE
(Women Preferring Women) Box 9, Vacaville
95696 Kathy 707-448-1010, 707-449-0550

SNOW WHITE CHAMPAGNE BALL
for Women in December
Mailing list: Linda Birner, 1725 L St., 95814

WOMEN'S RAP GROUP AND SOCIAL
Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 381-5569
Mon, 7pm

YWCA
1122 17th St., 95814 442-4741

SPORTS

CAMPING WOMEN
Box 13261, 95813 Gail, 689-9326
Camille 662-0460

GAY GAMES IV, NEW YORK
Times Square Station Box 202
NY, NY 10036 212-732-3612; 718-857-1793

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES (OAS)
Box 23113, 95823 644-4170 1st Weds.

RIVER CITY BOWLERS
Southbowl Paul 927-5431 Sun., 6pm

RIVER CITY BILLIARDS LEAGUE
Judy 962-1349 Tues., 6pm practice;
7:30pm play

SAC. ARTS & GAMES ASSN. (SAGA)
Tom Lane, 635-1535; Lisa Pray, 369-0975;
Carol Cook 488-9959

SPOKES WOMYN CYCLING CLUB
Box 162784, 95816 452-6540

GOLDEN STATE GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION
Bay Area Chapter Box 14398 San Francisco
94114-0398, Rodeo Hotline 415-863-4487

SAC RIVER CITY RUGGERS (women)
Practice Tues., Sat., Bambli 923-9327

VOLLEYBALL
Volleyball Cafe, Howe & Arden, Ken 641-2669

STUDENTS

BISEXUALS, GAYS & LESBIANS AT DAVIS
433 Russell Blvd., 95616 753-2090
1st & 3rd Wed., 7pm

CSUS WOMEN'S CENTER
6000 J St., 95819 278-7388

DELTA LAMBDA PHI
Steven Naugle 451-6659
Kenneth Thompson (UCD) 756-7225

GAY & LESBIAN ALLIANCE OF SAC (GLAS)
CSUS, 6000 J St.; Box 33, 95819 Thurs. 8:30-
Brian 441-7305

LAMBDA STUDENTS FOR EQUALITY, CSUS
Brian Polejes 443-1765;
Jennifer Greenman 456-3469

MEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
5:30 Mon meetings M-Hok Rm., CSUS

GAYS & LESBIANS AT ARC
484-8340 Thurs., 11am

SUPPORT GROUPS

FEMALE TO MALE TRANSEXUAL SUPPORT
GROUP R. Smith, Box 803, C.H. 95621

GAY FATHERS OF SACRAMENTO
456-3237 2nd Sundays

MOTHERLODE CONNECTION FOR MEN
Box 1062, Sonoma 95370 533-2873

PETLOSS SUPPORT HOTLINE
752-4200 M-F 6:30am-9:30pm

WOMEN

WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
Tues., 5:30pm 278-7388

YOUTH

GAY AREA YOUTH SWITCHBOARD
Box 846, S.F. CA 94101
415-386-GAYS

RIVER CITY MCC YOUTH GROUP
Box 245125, 95824, MCC Social Hall Wed., 7pm

YOUTH GROUP
Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185
Fri., 5:45pm

COURT

Continued from page 13

honor the monarchs. While the evening was supposed to be a "roast," these two (who have been together for over six years) were the perfect couple all year and there just wasn't any "dirt" ... That didn't stop some people from making some up! But it was all in good fun and Kelli and Michael, along with the crowd, enjoyed themselves.

Vannah then went to Renegade with Fresno's monarchs, Ashley and JB. The Imperial Trio had quite a good time meeting many of San Jose's hottest men. They were just innocently trying to bring more local people to the next evening's celebration (HA!)

Since the two courts have been so close, Michael allowed our court into the hall on Saturday to practice our entrance. Imperial Crown Prince KC and the Empress had pulled out the big power tools (saws and drills) and the real long nails (not Lee Press-ons) to build a trapeze swing, painted it bright, circus colors and covered with balloons. The rehearsal went smoothly and the courtmembers returned to the host hotel to prepare for the evening's festivities.

The coronation began on a high note, a packed house showing the popularity and hard work of Michael and Kelli. There was lots of action and color throughout the evening. As the night moved on, the court-members of CGNIE, Inc. got ready for their presentations. Entrances were planned by both the capitol's court and the provincial court of Chico. (That's what happens when there are so many established courts within an empire.) The Chico court did an excellent number which included Czarina Claudette doing a backflip through a hoop (not too showy!!). Then the Capitol Court did their presentation that included clowns, wild animals and a trainer and featured the Empress on her flying trapeze, with some hunky guys rolling it around the stage. On her dismount, she slipped slightly and ended up with a scraped shin (but didn't run her nylons!). All the hard work paid off as Czar Steven received the best male in-theme award and Empress Vannah took home best female in-theme.

The evening continued on and the new Emperor and Empress, Sammi and Sue, were crowned.

The next day at victory brunch, CGNIE, Inc. members received lots of recognition from Michael and Kelli. The in-theme awards were just the beginning. Sacramento received a sister city, Paul got Emperor to Emperor, Stacey took Empress to Empress. Large Marge is now the Salt Lick Bitch (with matching cowbell earrings and necklace), KC is a Dragon Boy and the Empress received personal plaques from both of the monarchs.

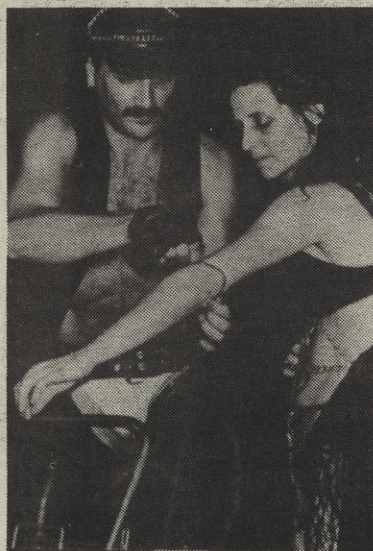
Ill winds blow

Unfortunately, after her return to the Empire, Vannah was hit with that horrible flue reported in 48 states. Not to say her cramps were bad, she was just expecting her mother to come into her sickroom with a heating pad and a talk about Mr. Monthly Visitor.

What's happenings

Sunday, March 17th is the big day. Finally, we all will get to find out who is the Awfullest Queen of the Capitol at "La Cage Awful." Doors at the Tuesday Club will open at 6pm for this fund-raiser for the Sacramento AIDS Foundation. Look for lots of fun and "entertainment(?)" from some of Sacramento's most prominent citizens.

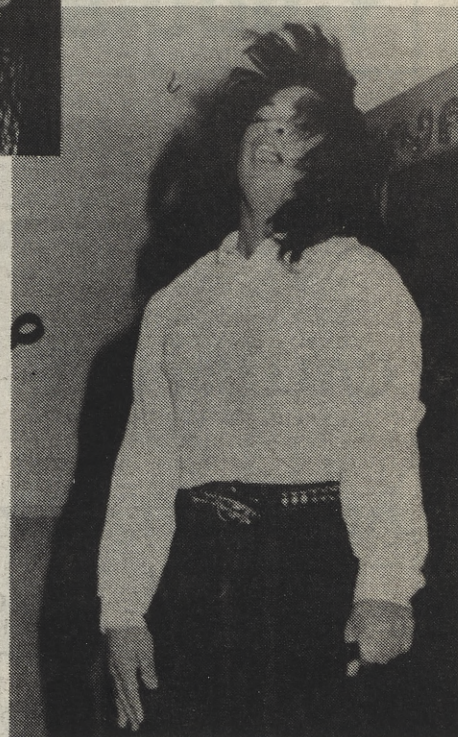
"La Cage Awful" is also the campaign kick-off for Emperor and Empress. There will be many parties and shows for you all to get a chance to meet this year's candidates. Keep your eyes open for those opportunities!



Undressing for the raffle.

Leather & Feather

Photos by Art Farmer



Chantall unmistakably Miss Janet Jackson.

To list your non-profit organization, list name of group, address, meeting time, contact name & phone, and mail to MGW, 1725 L St., Sac. 95814

Town paper surprises community

by Linda Leighton
OF MGW STAFF

What does it take to get a small town conservative paper to print a very controversial article?

I asked Elaine Gray of *The Chico Enterprise-Record*, who recently bucked the establishment to have an article she had written about the wedding of a lesbian couple in Chico published.

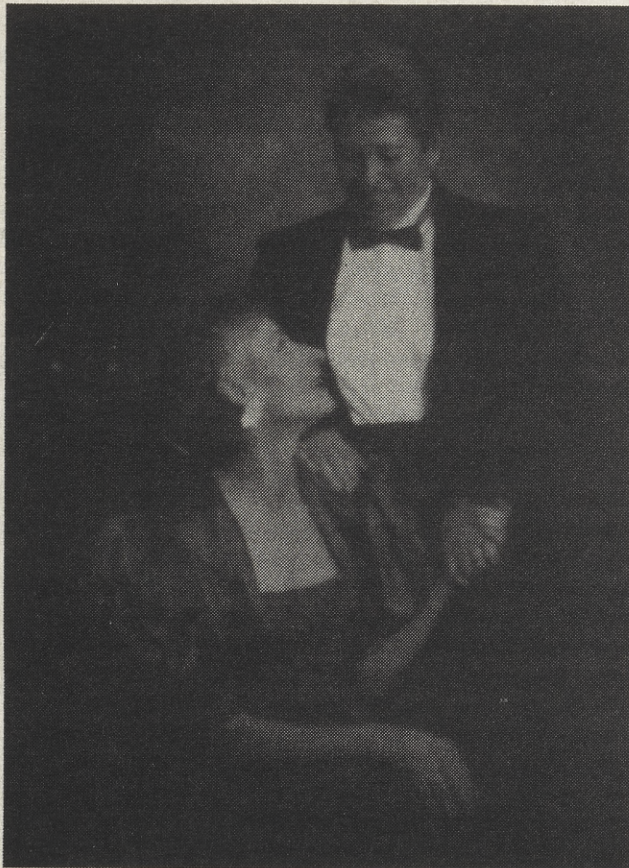
Gray had read of the upcoming event in the Chico Chapter Parents FLAG newsletter, and being a supporter of gay rights was interested in the possibility of a story. Citing the Everett, Washington papers recent publishing of a gay wedding announcement, she approached other journalists and solicited their comments. Gray stated the input was positive and that everyone felt the time was right to approach management. "After all this is the 90s," Gray said.

Here the story and the battle begin. After calling the lucky couple and soliciting an interview, Gray set the wheels in motion in other areas. Referring the couple to the Lifestyle Editor to try to get the announcement published too.

A few days before the wedding, word was sent from management, that the announcement would not be run in the paper because "this was not a legal wedding." Well, "we'll just go with the article," Gray said.

Gray attended the ceremony along with over 100 friends and family members on Sunday, February 17, 1991 and then ran the gauntlet to have the article published. Gray's editor was supportive, but the publisher was still fighting. He would not allow a color picture taken at the ceremony of the couple in formal wedding attire to be used, instead a picture taken several months before in formal attire was used. He also made some other editorial changes hoping Gray would forget the whole thing. She didn't. The changes were agreed upon and on Wednesday, February 20, *The Chico Enterprise-Record* ran a well-written, sensitive article.

Gray was asked if she was prepared to take the flack that would be forthcoming, and if the couple was aware of what they were letting themselves in for. She assured her publisher everyone was ready.



Sharron Hugar and Linda Leighton

It's hard to write this article and be objective because I am one half of that lucky couple, and while I was on the phone thanking Elaine Gray for her beautiful and sensitive article, she was receiving word that the "POOP" was hitting the fan already, and only an hour after the papers hit the streets.

There is a section of the paper dedicated to anonymous call in's from subscribers to voice their views and concerns. I am sure it will be filled with various comments. The "Letters to the Editor" should also be a hot area for a while. It will be hard to sit back and watch this very professional and concerned journalist be raked over the coals, after all, Chico is still very conservative.

I thank Elaine Gray and the *Chico Enterprise-Record* for a bold step forward, and urge you to write Gray, the editor, and the publisher and thank them also. Write to *The Chico Enterprise-Record*, Box 9, Chico, CA 95927.▼

LIFE STYLE

Tying a new kind of knot: Linda and Sharron get married

"We try to be positive role models for younger gay people, try to show everybody long-term relationships are possible."

— Sharron Hugar

By Elaine Gray
Staff Writer

After exchanging vows, the couple cut into a multi-level cake and fed each other bites, ignoring calls to smear the frosting. Their guests ate from buffet tables and danced to music played by a deejay. Children ran through the crowd, everyone ate too much, and punch got spilled on the floor.

In so many ways, it was exactly like a million other weddings. "There are more similarities than there are differences. We're not poking fun at the traditional values of marriage, we are celebrating them," said Linda Layton, 45.

She and Sharron Hugar, 49, exchanged "holy union vows" Sunday afternoon at the Community Center. Modeled after a traditional wedding, the ceremony was held to celebrate the two women's decade of shared life.

"We are not being disrespectful. It's just that I've spent my whole life trying to alter for other people. We've both spent all our lives trying to conform. Now we want to celebrate us," Hugar said.

Wedding planning is details, details. And this ceremony was no exception. There were some twists, though. For example, what to wear—bridal gown or tuxedo? Who will wear the garter, who will toss the bouquet?

Is it possible to find two brides for the cake? Will there be trouble renting a hall? Who will perform the ceremony?

Over time, everything worked out. The Rev. Diane Knight of Unity Church wrote and performed the ceremony. The cake was decorated with hearts. Layton wore the garter and Hugar



Linda Layton (left) and Sharron Hugar dressed formally for a local dance several months before their wedding.

tossed the bouquet (which was caught by a man). Hugar wore a traditional white sequined wedding gown with a train, and a hat with a tulle veil. "I don't mind being Cinderella for a day—I love dressing up," she said. "We're such a stereotype. I'm the feminine one and Linda, Linda looks good in a tux."

More than 100 friends and relatives watched as the women exchanged vows. After the ceremony, the pair walked around the floor to Sharron's "Can I Have This Dance (For the Rest of My Life)." "The most important thing for people who want to be happy to realize is, just be who you are," Layton said.

"Sexual preference doesn't determine your value as a human being. If you're a jerk, it doesn't matter whether you're straight or gay, you're still a jerk."

Sunday was not their first experience with exchanging vows. Layton has had three "straight" marriages and two children; Hugar two marriages and five children.

"I didn't know I was gay," Layton said. "I knew something wasn't right. I knew I wasn't happy, but I was not aware there was an alternative."

"I don't consider myself ever having truly been married," Hugar said. "I'm having first wedding jitters. I can't ever remember being this nervous!"

Sunday's commitment celebration had a depth previous ceremonies lacked, Layton said. "I think before it really didn't mean much, there was that sneaking suspicion that it's really not right. You're denying you're doing it (getting married) even while you're doing it."

"I feel more married now in this 10 years than I ever did before," she said.

At present, none of the 50 states grant legal recognition to same-sex marriages.

"We have a bank account together, pay our bills together, own property together, but we can't be married in the eyes of the law," Hugar said.

"We can't file income tax together. And the property we've purchased, if one of us dies, a family member can walk in and take it all away," Layton said.

"Why can't it be legal?" she asked. "I'm working and Sharron's going to school, but I can't put her on my health insurance."

Though there is "still severe official resistance," as Hugar says, new ground is being broken

Laurie Clifton
Editor

Chico Enterprise-Record
Wednesday, February 20, 1991
1B

around the country by gay couples. On Valentine's Day, 275 two-somes were officially registered as "domestic partners" at San Francisco's City Hall.

San Francisco voters approved the domestic partners proposal last November. Cities with similar laws include Santa Cruz, West Hollywood, Seattle, Wash. and Madison, Wis.

Before the ceremony, Hugar legally changed her name to Hugar-Layton.

"If only people would realize that being gay or straight is not something you choose. It's who you would choose to be gay, to live this way, persecuted all their lives just because of who they sleep with," Layton said.

Her partner concurred, and repeated a request for acceptance and understanding. "Me saying in a marriage would be like asking a heterosexual to live in a same-sex relationship," Hugar said.

As part of their efforts to foster acceptance, they have volunteered to participate in dozens of panels about homosexuality at Chico State University and Butte College, organized through the 12-year-old Chico chapter of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays.

The goal of the panel presentations is offering information, because knowledge promotes open minds, Hugar said, but sometimes the level of ignorance is a bit frustrating.

"At one panel, a kid came up to me and said, 'It's weird, you remind me of my mom ...' I said, 'Well, I am a mom.'"

"We try to be positive role models for younger gay people, try and show everybody long-term relationships are possible," said Hugar.

"We want everyone to realize we are all more alike than we are different. The thing they judge us on (sexual preference) is the smallest part of our lives," Layton said.

Hugar is a full-time journalism student at Butte, and Layton is a medical office consultant.

"Get to know someone before you judge them," Hugar said. "We respect that everybody's entitled to their own opinion. We wish everybody did."

'Domestic partners' goes into effect

In November, San Francisco voters approved a new city law allowing homosexual and heterosexual couples to register as "domestic partners."

In Chico, Mayor Mary Andrews says she has no idea how her constituents would react to a similar proposal here.

"You're talking to someone who's been married for 35 years," Andrews said. "I have no idea how that would go over."

"I'm certainly not about to propose it. If someone else does, then we'll have to address it."

The Rev. Wendell Pew of First Christian Church of Chico has never been asked to perform a commitment ceremony for a gay couple, but says he'd consider it, "I recognize the appropriateness of that, and also the fact that many of these relationships are as long-standing as many of the marriages I've performed."

"I would want to talk to the couple in the process of making any kind of decision. I'm inclined to think I probably would."

The Rev. Carl Wilfred of Faith Lutheran Church has not been asked either, and hopes he won't be for a while. He has given it some thought, he said.

"If homosexuality is an unavoidable and pre-determined aspect of the case, it does not seem such people should be prevented from those kinds of relationships."

Denmark is the only country in the world to permit same-sex marriages by law. Sweden is considering a law that would give gay couples the same rights as married people in areas such as taxation, inheritance and divorce.

San Francisco's law does not provide any benefits for "domestic partners." They declare they have an intimate relationship, have lived together for at least six months, and will be jointly responsible for living expenses. Couples pay a \$35 fee to file their declaration with the city clerk.

Setting health care priorities

The director and co-founder of the Hastings Center will be the featured speaker at the California Health Forum. He is Daniel Callahan, Ph.D. The Hastings Center, headquartered in Briarcliff Manor, New York, is a research and educational organization founded in 1969 to examine ethical issues of medicine, biology and the professions.

Callahan will speak on "Setting Health Care Priorities." His presentation will be made at a noon luncheon on Tuesday, March 19 and repeated at a 7:30am breakfast meeting the following morning, Wednesday, March 20. Both events will be held at the Sacramento Convention Center.

Reservations: University of Southern California, Sacramento Center, 1201 J St., 95814; 442-6911.▼

Volunteers needed in Foothills

The newly merged Sierra Foothills AIDS Foundation has announced a training for Hand to Hand and AIDS:CAP volunteers. After completion of training, volunteers work closely with AIDS patients, their families, and loved ones.

Bill Rau, Executive Director of Sierra Foothills AIDS Foundation, stated that volunteers are needed in Placer County where most of the cases are located. The county now lists 27 diagnosed AIDS cases (half of which are dead). The Sierra Foothills AIDS Foundation currently has 35 clients who are utilizing the services of the Foundation in Placer County. There are 22 clients in Nevada County.

For info: 916-889-2437, 916-447-5551 or write the Foundation at 12183 Locksley Lane, #205, Auburn, 95603-2052.▼

Discount tickets for the Jazz Festival

Old Sacramento merchants are offering their customers discounted ticket prices. Visit any Old Sacramento merchant displaying the "Discount Jazz Tickets" poster and pick up an order form. Prices are \$60 for an all-events badge and \$25 for a one-day badge (for a savings of \$5 per badge).

The Dixieland Jazz Jubilee will be held from May 24 through 27 this year. Discount badges must be ordered before May 1. For info: 443-7815, 372-5277.▼

Women In History Awards

To commemorate March as National Women's History Month, the Sacramento History Museum, 101 I St., in Old Sacramento, will present its "Women In History" awards on the evening of March 25. One woman was selected by a multi-cultural committee in eight categories. The Reverend Elder Dr. Freda Smith, Senior Pastor of River City M.C.C., was the winner under the category of "Courage." Rev. Smith stated that she was honored to represent the gay and lesbian community at this historic event. The awards ceremony is open to the public. Watch the local papers for more details or phone the church at 454-4762.▼

RCDC celebrates 8 years

The public is invited to the River City Democratic Club's 8th Birthday party on Saturday, April 6 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm at Faces, 2000 K Street. Several community activists and local public officials will be on hand to help celebrate 8 years of community activism and involvement in Sacramento.

The celebration will include a no-host cocktail bar, complimentary hors d'oeuvre and birthday cake for all.

Tickets for the fundraiser are \$8 and \$16 dollars and will be available in advance and at the door. For more information, call Ed Condon at 682-8948.▼

Sacramento Swimmers go to L.A.

The newly named Sacramento Heatwaves will travel to Los Angeles to compete in the International Gay/Lesbian Aquatic (IGLA) Championships on March 29, 30, and 31.

Over 300 swimmers are expected to attend the competition from teams all over the United States, Canada and other parts of the world.

See HAPPENINGS on page 18

Whisler Financial Group Whisler Land Company Mark Whisler, CFP



- * Tax Preparation
- * Real Estate Sales
- * Investment Services
- * Socially Responsible Investing

* Serving California Since 1975 - Call (916) 446-6666
Investments offered through Titan Value Equities, Inc. Member NASD/SIPC

PARENTS

Continued from page 1

"Hate crimes are prompted by ignorance and bigotry. When our society learns to understand and accept diversity, whether ethnic, racial, religious, or sexual, then we will all be liberated human beings and there will no longer be a need to hate."

Goodman urged all Parents FLAG chapters to join local efforts to

document hate crimes, educate their community leaders, and advocate for action against anti-gay violence.

The Federation of Parents FLAG is a tax-exempt, non-profit network of support groups founded in 1981 to help families learn to understand, accept, and respect their gay and lesbian members; and to advocate for the civil rights and concerns of lesbians and gay men. P-FLAG's outreach is to members of over 200

local chapters and information helplines across the United States, Canada, and six other countries; and countless others who see and use local helplines and hear of the Federation's work through the print and broadcast media.

Readers who wish to receive a packet of information about Parents FLAG may do so by sending \$3 to Office of Family and Chapter Support, Box 27605, Washington, DC 20038.▼

La Fleur

Ron Hill
(916) 649-3224

1620 W. El Camino, Suite 150
Sacramento, CA 95833

455-0667

The Associates

Pat Medina

3714 J Street

hair design



The Majestic Look

Hair and Nails

a salon for everyone

Billy Majestic Boyd
Hair Designer

\$5 off any hair styling service with this ad

2000 Marconi Ave., Suite B1
Sacramento, CA 95821

(916) 921-2388

VISA/MasterCard Accepted

T-SHIRTS T-SHIRTS T-SHIRTS

Custom Screenprinting

"Printwear For Today"

MENTION THIS AD FOR 1 FREE SETUP (\$15 VALUE)

ECHO

S H I R T S

443-3246

2114 19TH STREET 1(800)275-0770

Phoenix Rising

Hair Designs

Paulette Jacobson

3193 Riverside Blvd. - Sacramento, CA 95818 - 443-5478



OCTOBER 11

Take Your Next Step with Pride!

NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY

For information call or write
PO Box 8349 Santa Fe, NM 87504
(505) 982-2558
(800) 445-NCOD

Co-chairs: Rob Eichberg, Jean O'Leary
Executive Director: Lynn Sheppard

Become a Major Donor

Contribute \$1000 or more & lend your name to this ad

Become a Sponsoring Organization/Business

Contribute \$500, \$250, \$100 & lend your name to this ad

Become a Sponsor

Contribute \$500, \$250, \$100 & lend your name to this ad

Become a Friend

Contribute \$75, \$50, \$25

Let us know what you're doing this Coming Out Day '91

Wear an NCOD Shirt - Keith Haring Design shown above

Shirt \$16, Tank Top \$15, Sweatshirt \$30 + postage & handl. VISA/MC accepted

1991 SPONSORING BUSINESSES & ORGANIZATIONS ... LAMBDA Legal Defense and Education Fund - PFLAG/LA Dignity (D.C.) - Gay and Lesbian Community Action Council (Minneapolis) - GLAAD/FL - The Network (N.J.) - TRM, Inc. (Norwich) - In Step (D.C.) - Philadelphia Gay News - This Month Entertainment and Travel - New Beginnings (Westby, WI)

1991 MAJOR DONORS ... The Advocate - Outweek - Gay Men's Health Crisis (N.Y.) - Ambush (New Orleans) - Au Courant (Philadelphia) - Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Delaware - Frontiers - The Latest Issue (Sacramento) - Second Stone (New Orleans) - Metroline (Hartford) - OutFront (Denver) - Island Lifestyles (Honolulu) - Equal Time (Minneapolis) - Lesbian News (L.A.) - Lavender Network (Eugene) - Gay People's Chronicle (Cleveland) - In Step (Milwaukee) - Seattle Gay News - Our Own Community Press (Norfolk) - Update (San Diego) - Michael's Thing (N.Y.) - Gay Beat (Cincinnati) - Mom Guess What! (Sacramento)

1991 SPONSORS ... Jim Mustard - Sees Abejon - Lawrence William Falk - William F. Owen, Jr. M.D. - Steve Sabon - Ashleigh Hart Grayson - Mark Hoffman - Roger Holley - Kevin Gray - John David Thomas - Julie Baron - Mike Hellick - Gary Aldridge - Brian Arbogast - Sylvia Almadad - Honey Ward

Page 16 Mom Guess What Newspaper March 15, 1991

travel

Palm Springs luxury for gays

by John Batchelor
OF MGW STAFF

Villa Mykonos -- Call it a vacation home, a country club, a luxurious resort or a desert get-away. Whatever the heading, it is the first of its kind in the world. Concept in Time offers the gay and lesbian community interval ownership in popular Palm Springs. While luxurious accommodations have always been available, a comfortable and comparable setting for gay people has been hard to find. Ownership in an exclusive timeshare is now a real and surprisingly affordable option.

More and more entrepreneurs are realizing the potential of the gay market. One proud developer, Donald Fracchia had the idea for Villa Mykonos 10 years ago. That idea is now a reality. Men and women from around the world have already purchased over 25 percent of the interests available in the first phase of the project. It is possible that this time-share project will start a trend. For example, the extremely popular RSVP cruises. That company started out in small clipper-ships. Now there are waiting lists to get on board fullsize cruise ships! If it is well received, Hawaii and Key West may host the next gay time-shares. If Fracchia's project is successful as expected, Villa Mykonos will become the flagship in a chain of gay timeshares offering special privileges between member facilities.

Although there is an abundance of gay lodgings in destinations such as Fort Lauderdale and the Russian River the accommodations are usually less than first-rate.

Every detail was researched to ensure a super-luxury setting. Kassinger construction (which built the Stouffer Esmeralda Hotel in

gins' resume includes the renovation of the Sheraton Grand Hotel in Los Angeles, the Grand Hyatt Wailea (Maui) and the Mandarin Oriental (San Francisco). The allocation for each unit in Palm Springs was \$70,000 (the industry average ranges from \$10,000 to a peak of \$30,000 at the Marriott Corporation).

"Living well is an art, especially when you're away from home," according to the renowned designer. "That's why we've included such things as a marble entryway, thick lush carpeting, a wet bar and the finest in china (Villoroy & Boch), crystal and silver."

What sets Villa Mykonos apart from other time-shares marketed to the non-gay community is the flexibility available. Owners may purchase either fixed or floating weeks. They can even use the week as little as one day at a time.

Owners have day use privileges 365 days a year. And if you need a place to stay in addition to your allotted week(s), "bonus time" is available four weeks in advance at a reasonable nightly rate. And when you buy time in a villa, you are not just purchasing one unit, you are getting the entire place. Therefore you could arrange for a poolside villa on one visit and a more hidden romantic getaway penthouse on a return trip. Choices, something the gay community is rarely offered.

One more aspect that impressed me with this venture was the phi-

network."

This is an organization that recognizes gay married couples. And according to Naz Noujaim, Project Director, "It's a way to build something to be proud of." Noujaim also states enthusiastically that "it's a place where you can bring your mom." The building is not the most important factor. It's the fact that you can be who you are with dignity.

Villa Mykonos has also had a positive effect on the gay community at large. The neighboring Desert Palms Inn was able to acquire backing for a one-half million dollar renovation. Concept in Time has created a lot of business for gay companies. Many gay firms were encouraged to submit bids at every stage of the project.



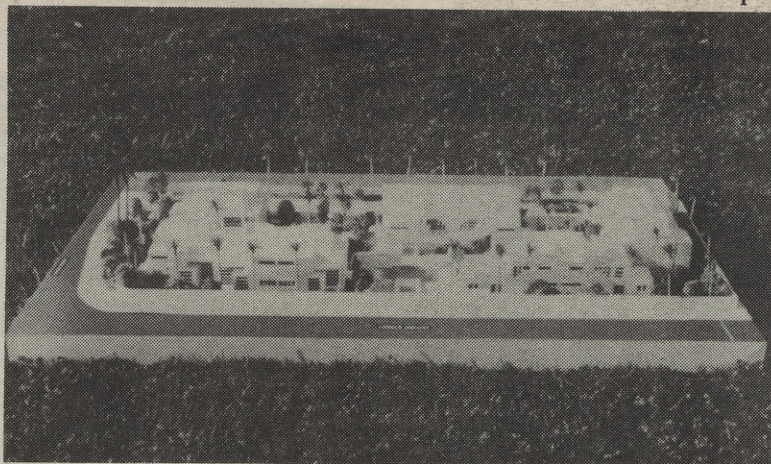
Interior of Villa Mykonos

The organization has also been involved in many fund-raisers for gay causes, including chili cook-offs all over southern California. There is even talk by other business groups for a 150 room gay hotel/convention resort in Palm Springs. Beyond all of this philosophy and speculation, many of you may want the bottom line. What does it cost.

Some compare Villa Mykonos to the purchase of a condominium. By purchasing a fee-simple arrangement, the consumer owns a share of the property in increments of one week or more. Time-shares starting at \$12,500 can be rented, willed or re-sold just as one would rent, will or re-sell a private home. And unlike other gay resorts, you own it for the rest of your life. Friends may choose to pool their finances and purchase a unit together. It appears that an effort has been made to accommodate a variety of needs and circumstances.

As the first phase of Villa Mykonos nears completion, phase two is not far away. A clubhouse and state-of-the-art fitness center plus 30 additional villas are planned. So the next time you are planning a trip to the Palm Springs Marquis or the Ritz-Carlton, why not own a piece of paradise instead? One where you can hold hands or even catch a quick kiss by the pool!

For further information about Concept in Time, Inc., call 1-800-266-9655. ▽



Scale-rendering of Villa Mykonos

nearby Indian Wells) is currently putting the finishing touches on the 10-unit, \$2.5 million project adjacent to the Desert Palms Inn (a Palm Springs resort catering to the gay community for 20 years).

The private one-story penthouses and two-story villas all with a Greek flavor offer owners a marble fireplace, two master bedroom suites, designer linens and towels, baths with sunken tubs, buddy showers and a built-in entertainment section equipped with TV, videocassette player, AM/FM stereo and tape/CD player. Each spacious 1,500 square foot villa boasts a gourmet kitchen with gas range, microwave oven, refrigerator with icemaker and granite counter tops. Outside areas include a heated pool and spa, wet bar and barbecues. As one of the many added personal touches, a full spice rack can be found in each kitchen.

Stephen Higgins designed the interiors of Villa Mykonos. Hig-

losophy behind it. There have been many times when our community has had to settle for second best because that is all that was offered. "Knowing that your buyers will be lesbians and gay men puts you one giant step ahead of the competition because the gay network is like steel," states Fracchia. "And I'm confident that if I give my clients the best possible product at a great price, they're going to verbalize that and spread the word through their

Quality Irish Imports

1021 R Street
Sacramento

446-1877

R&D Micro Graph X
Mid-Town, Corner of 24th & L
A Different Kind of Computer Center!

Computers	Publishing
Peripherals	Scanning
CAD/CAM	Software
Video	Networking

"We promise the highest degree of quality, service, and support for all of your computer needs!" -R&D

(916)444-3839 2401 "L" Street Sac, 95816

Send your
entertainment
news to

MGW
1725 L Street
Sacramento, 95814

Symphony introduces new series of "popular" classical concerts

by Karl Greene
OF MGW STAFF

If you are one of those MGW readers who has always intended to give classical music an honest try, but hasn't done it because the music is so boring, here's good news:

The Sacramento Symphony will present the first concert in its new "Classical Pops" series this coming Sunday and Monday, March 17 and 18, 7:30pm at the Community Center Theater.

This series is the ideal introduction to classical music concerts; it will feature the best-loved works of the great masters. Actually, this "series" will consist of just two concerts, the one coming up in a couple of days and another next month.

Both of them feature the music of two very popular composers and both of these composers are well known to have been gay men. The first is the 20th century American,

Aaron Copland; the second is the 19th century Russian, Peter Tchaikovsky.

For the first concert, Maestro Murray Sidlin will lead the orchestra in four Copland works including Fanfare for the Common Man, the suite from the ballet Appalachian Spring, A Lincoln Portrait and the suite from the ballet Billy the Kid.

While the orchestra is playing Copland, three 10x4-foot screens suspended above the orchestra will come alive with images of nature scenes.

Photochoreographer James Westwater will project this nature images from the back of the concert hall in intricate synchronization with the music.

This concert will premiere a work entitled "California Impressions," spectacular scenes of California landscapes set to the music of Copland's The Promise of Living: Finale from the suite "The Tender Lands." This concert is underwrit-

ten in part by The Chevron Companies as part of the company's nationwide Chevron Community Concepts program.

James Westwater has pioneered the art of combining symphonic music and projected photographic images into what he calls "photochoreography." His first performance piece, Wilderness Suite, was premiered at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts with the National Symphony Orchestra.

For more than a decade, Westwater has performed his photographic concertos as a guest artist with more than 50 orchestras including those in Rochester, Denver, Detroit, Seattle, Buffalo, Houston and New Orleans. His university studies have included philosophy, art history, cinema and multi-media production.

Single tickets for these two performances are \$6, \$13, \$15, \$22,

See SYMPHONY on page 20

"Tales of Hoffmann" closes Sacramento Opera season

by Wayne R. Anderson
OF MGW STAFF

The Sacramento Opera closed its 1990-91 season with an enthusiastic production of Offenbach's final opera *Les Contes d'Hoffmann* (The Tales of Hoffmann).

Top vocal honors went to baritone Richard Gratton as the four villains Lindorf, Coppélius, Dr. Miracle, and Dappertutto. His splendid powerful sound (he has the rich tones of a bass-baritone) and vivid presence brought excitement whenever he was onstage. His acting and vocal color made each of the four characters distinctly different. Alas Franco Bonanome as Hoffmann was hardly in the same class. He looked and acted more like a stodgy middle-aged banker than an exuberant idealistic youth. His thick tenor began with no top, but did develop some ring over the course of the performance, yet here was little trace of lyricism in his singing. He forced his voice so mercilessly at times that it seemed he would be unable to speak, let alone sing, by evening's end. The first of his three loves, the doll Olympia, was sung by Jacqueline Dickey. Despite some shrillness, she handled the coloratura and the mechanical movements admirably. As the singer Antonia,

Rosemary Wagner-Scott looked beautiful (as did all the women) and sang with an ample voice of basically good quality. But unfortunately she does not phrase. One note follows another, but they are not connected together and often



Photo by Eleakis Photography
Rosemary Wagner-Scott as Antonia

not well equalized in volume. Mezzosoprano Gale fuller (the Venetian courtesan Giulietta) sang with a very strong vibrato, reminiscent of Conchita Supervia or the Italian sopranos from around the turn of the century. This type of sound is presently out of fashion, but I rather like it. Unfortunately her costume made her look more like a party girl than a sultry courtesan that men fight duels over.

The many small but important minor roles were all well-sung and acted, a real tribute to the importance the SOA places on a total performance, not just on star singers. This concern was also evident in the fine singing and acting of the chorus. Even though they were constantly involved in the action, they always paid close attention to dynamics and shading.

The three-dimensional sets were colorful and attractive, and the stage direction plausible, although a tepid orgy at the start of the Venetian scene generated little steam. It did bring a few laughs as Hoffmann emerged from intertwined human limbs to exclaim "There is nothing for me here."

This opera is one of the most difficult in the standard repertory to do, yet the SOA, despite some imperfections, put on a credible performance and an enjoyable evening in the theater.

The 1991-92 season opens on Sept. 20 with Verdi's *Otello*, followed by *Don Pasquale* in November and *Romeo et Juliette* in the spring. Each opera will be given three times, with the final performance moved to Tuesday instead of Monday as it is now. Call the SOA at 442-4224 or a brochure.▼

"Bottoms Up" Tops at Tahoe Benefit

by Ken Thompson
OF MGW STAFF

The fourth in a series of annual benefits to help fund AIDS research was in held in Imperial Splendor at Nero's 2000 Disco, located inside Caesar's Tahoe Hotel/Casino. The evening's proceeds went to the Lake Tahoe AIDS Task Force.

The gala presented talented performers from many of the Tahoe casinos, including Playboy's Girls of Rock and Roll. An excellent version of "The Glory of Love" was performed by Miss Shon Vaughn, a

member of Harrah's Bottoms-Up group. Also performing was Brett Daniels, a member of Horizon Hotel/Casino's Passion team. Following Vaughn and Daniels performances were the Bottoms Up Dance Troupe from Harrah's performing "Miss You Much."

The Passion Dancers from the Horizon Hotel presented an outstanding and sex number entitled "Kiss." Murray Grant-Mac Dougall, a member of the cast of Risque Business from Harvey's, performed "Can You Feel Me Now." The evening took an abrupt turn for the

absurd and mysterious during the mystical performance of master illusionist Mark Komhauser, also a member of Risque Business.

Tamara Thorkelsen, also of Risque Business, dazzled the audience with her version of "Wind Beneath My Wings."

This uninhibited evening could only be topped by one thing: The cast of Bottoms Up "irreverently" presented their rendition of "The Hallelujah Chorus," a rendition which I think would have given Handel reason to rise to his feet.

See BOTTOMS UP on page 22

TOWER 123
16th & Broadway
443-1982

NOW PLAYING!
Jodie Foster, Anthony Hopkins, Scott Glen
In Dolby Surround-Stereo
THE SILENCE OF THE LAMBS

Kevin Costner's award-winning
DANCES WITH WOLVES

Gerard Depardieu in
CYRANO DE BERGERAC

SOON!!

In March
ROSENCRANTZ & GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD

The acclaimed
NASTY GIRL

Call Theatre for other titles and showtimes!!

Lesbian Women's Group

Facilitated by Sandra Warne,
MFCC Reg. Intern IFM17590

life transitions
co-dependency
coming-out
family issues
self-esteem
call 973-9721

GLASS BEADS, CERAMICS

Barbetta's

1004 24th Street
24th & J - Midtown
Sacramento, CA
916/443-4959

BRASS STAMPINGS, ETC.

JEWELRY, ART, ETHNIC TREASURES, ANTIQUE AND CONTEMPORARY

parts/repairs
custom frame sets
tune-ups \$35

REX

446-5706 custom cycles
1930 Capitol Ave.

GALLERY MEDUSA

Requests the pleasure of your company at our reception for artist **MISSY VIVENZIO** on Saturday, March 16th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Show runs
March 5 - April 15
Gallery Medusa
2231 J street, suite 101
Sacramento, California
Phone: (916) 446-5616

Movers & Shakers

Labels just don't work with Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane & Co. Even *The New York Times* couldn't pin them down, saying: "Whatever it is, Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane and Co. is not your everyday dance troupe." But that didn't prevent the nation's most respected paper from stating that this group's programs are "sexy, powerful and at times extremely poignant theater...[with] eye-popping performances." Come and create your own description for this challenging yet chic ensemble.

UC DAVIS PRESENTS

Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane & Co.
Tuesday, Wednesday,
April 9 and 10, 1991,
8 PM
Main Theatre, UC Davis

Tickets: \$10/\$15, and available at the UC Davis Campus Box Office, (916) 752-1915, TDD/FAX (916) 752-7117, and all BASS/TM outlets, (916) 923-2277.

HAPPENINGS

Continued from page 15

Sacramento will be well represented by swimmers, Mark Blagdon, Andy Brennan, David Lyons, Scott Reuss, Harry Stark, David Ugarkovich, and Paul Young. All Sacramento swimmers competing in L.A. are ranked in the IGLA top ten and are expected to bring home awards.

Last year at Gay Games III, the Sacramento swimmers proved to be a powerful force against some of the larger teams, bringing home over 40 medals and taking eighth place overall.

The Sacramento Heatwaves continue to grow and are actively recruiting more swimmers. If you are interested in joining the team, contact David Lyons 448-5695.▼

Lambda Letters adds legislative hotline

The Lambda Letters Project is planning to establish a Legislative Hotline telephone service, beginning March 22.

Anyone in need of information about current legislation relating to women's rights, lesbian and gay rights, and AIDS, may obtain this information by calling the hotline at 394-3103.

The names, addresses and telephone numbers of state legislators can also be obtained by sending a request along with a stamped, self-addressed envelope: Lambda Letters Project, 6212 Silverton Way, Carmichael, CA. 95608.

For more information on the Lambda Letters project, call Boyce Hinman at 965-6851.

Land Trust planning next meeting

A group of downtown citizens are applying for incorporation as the New Beginnings Land Trust.

The organization is trying to create perpetually affordable housing for low and very low income generations.

The group held its first meeting on March 5. On hand were representative from Habitat for Humanity, Resources for Independent Living as well as local religious leaders.

The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 7 at 1pm in the basement of the Reorganized Latter Day Saints Church (24th & K). The agenda includes elections to the board and the continued sharing of information. All are welcome.

For more information, call Turtle 441-0749.

Computer Bulletin Board adds womens area

Parthenon, one of Sacramento's gay computer bulletin boards has added a section for women. In the "For Women Only" section, you can network, chat, flirt or just make new friends. There is another section, "Women's Room," men and women can chat together.

Parthenon can be accessed by dialing 927-2702 or 428-9027.

Isenberg speaker at RCDC meeting

Assemblyman Phillip Isenberg will be the next guest speaker at the next River City Democratic Club meeting on Tuesday, March 19 at 6:30pm at the Lambda Community Center.

Assemblyman Isenberg represents the 10th Assembly District which includes South Natomas and parts of western downtown Sacramento. A former mayor of Sacramento, Isenberg has been a state assemblyman since 1982.

He is regarded as an expert on California health care issues and will be speaking to RCDC on specific health issue that affect gay men and lesbians.

Assemblyman Isenberg has been a consistent supporter of legislation important to the gay and lesbian community and will also comment on AB 101, the bill that would add sexual orientation to state statutes regarding discrimination in housing and employment.

AIDS WALK scheduled for June 1

Thousands of Sacramentans are expected to walk in Capitol Park on June 1 to raise \$250,000 to combat the AIDS epidemic in our community. AIDS WALK Sacramento, sponsored by the Sacramento AIDS Foundation and supported by PG & E, Pacific Bell, McCuen Properties, Sacramento Ad Club and many civic leaders, will be the biggest fund raising event ever in the Sacramento area.

Proceeds from AIDS WALK Sacramento will go to the foundation and to several other agencies within our community that provide AIDS Education and services to person living with AIDS. For more information, contact Susan Patterson or Stephen Crow at 552-6767 or write 500 22nd Street, Sac. Ca. 95816.

Get ready to dream!

by Kate M. Lang, M.S.
OF MGW STAFF

Practices for recording and recalling dreams include:

1. Always keep pen and paper, or even a tape recorder by your bedside. A tape recorder captures the whole of what you remember, however I think it's still important to transcribe the tape for study. You may wish to just write the dream down when you have it. Try both ways and see what appeals to you.
2. Have a dim light you can switch on from the bed. I've seen some stores with a little light attached right to a pen. The object is not to wake your self (or your partner) up to a blinding flash of light. Stay mellow, aware AND dreamy.
3. Give your self a suggestion, before you go to sleep, several times, "I will remember my dreams tonight," "I will shall awaken from a dream tonight." Use whatever suggestion or words to invite remembering a dream that you are comfortable with.

Research shows that as far as enhancing the facility to get into an altered state of consciousness (ASC), progressive relaxation is an important step. This method says to start first with the feet, then the ankles, calves, etc., tense each very hard, hold the tension for a few seconds, and then let go. Work each part of the body from foot to head, breathing rhythmically and calmly. A scientific fact is that when you change respiration, you change consciousness.

When you have gone through progressive relaxation, and you find yourself deeply relaxed, bring before your mind your dream suggestion. You might even want to request a dream to help understand or resolve a certain issue in your life.

4. Alarm-clock technique. This is for you people who are chronic non-recallers of your dreams. Have a gentle alarm-clock, one that is not strident. Set the alarm for approximately two hours after your normal falling asleep time. The object is to catch yourself in a dream. Or, you may set the alarm for a much later time as morning approaches, say one hour before you normally rise. This would give you time to catch a dream, and also time to record it,

and possibly even time to do a little interpretation before you merrily go off to work!

5. If you awaken during the night, either by means of the alarm clock or spontaneously, with a dream in mind, gently sit up in bed and turn on the dim light, or use your little pen-light.

Move slowly. Strong motor movements can jolt you into wakefulness and block out the dream memory. The right brain is the dreamer. Dreaming happens in an alpha-theta brain wave frequency, and the dream "language" is imagery and metaphor. The left brain is the brain that is analytical, logical, systematic, flat emotionally, sequential, highly verbal and literal. So of course the "language" of your right brain may be hard to understand, or seem foreign to the left brain. Just remember, YOU are the author, creator, and ultimate interpreter of YOUR dreams. My conviction is that some part of you really knows what your dreams are about, they are your creation, and you can find out what significance they have for you.

If you do dreamwork individually with an analyst or therapist be aware of his or her method, bias and symbol system. The crucial question is, is your therapist/guide interpreting your dreams for you, or supporting, educating and helping you to interpret and actualize your own dreams yourself?

6. Immediately write down or record into the tape recorder, the dream as completely as you can. Do stay relaxed, but awake.

7. Add as many associations as you can. For example, events of the previous day which may have woven themselves into the dream, your psychological thoughts and emotional feelings, and anything else that may wander into your mind as you focus on the dream before you. Do not look only to immediate, previous day, outer events as the major cause of for your dream symbolism.

Dreams certainly do help us process our outer experiences. But they also mirror inner events. And dreams express as much the potentials for the future as what has happened in the past or what is happening in the present.

Be receptive. This is not a test. This is you "partnering" with your own unconscious mind.

8. If you waken naturally from sleep, most always you will wake from a dream. Do not leap out of bed thinking you are going to ponder over your dream while getting dressed. Research shows that within five minutes of having a dream if you don't start writing it down, it will disappear. WRITE DOWN THE DREAM WHILE YOU ARE STILL IN BED. Add any relevant associations.

Always put the date, month and year on your dream record. There are many kinds of dreams; some may be psychic,-- precognitive or clairvoyant. Usually, it's not important that you prove that to anybody else, but you will need to be accurate with your records and truthful with your mind.

9. As soon as possible after the dream, either that day, or the following day, work on the dream. Underline words or phrases that seem to evoke from you strong feeling, either positive, or negative. Check the dream for objective facts you may have missed.

Treat the dream as a looking glass through which you see yourself and your life situation. Gestalt it. Psychodrama it.

Dance it. Art it. Act it out in some appropriate way to expose and integrate conflicting trends in your personality.

10. Keep your dreams plus their interpretations together in a dream journal, book or folder, all dated. Dream series can be very useful, illuminating ambiguous dreams and indicating inner progress.

NOTE: If you have had any psychic dreams you have dated, recorded and perhaps told someone else about before you found out they were true, send me a copy c/o MGW. Write a little note to me and sign it saying I may publish your dream in my column and/or future book. Be sure to include your phone number!

Thanks, "The Psychic Reporter"

Kate M. Lang, M.S., B.A. Parapsychology, M.S. Transpersonal Counseling Psychology, Credentialed in Parapsychology since 1971. Sacramento County Licensed Counseling Parapsychologist since 1975. Private practice. (916) 487 8485.▼

farewell

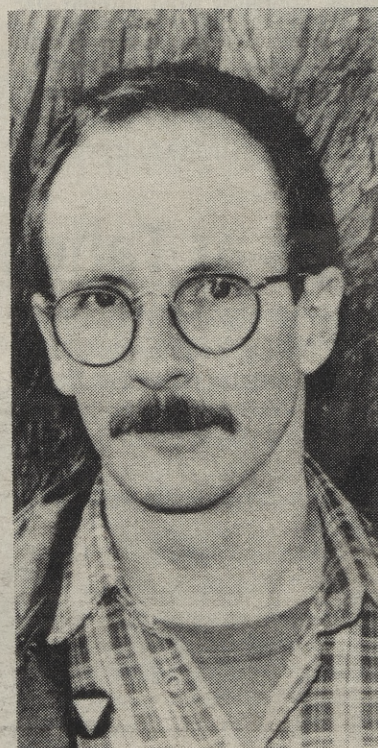
Robert Chesley

On December 5, 1990 at Mt. Zion Hospital in San Francisco, gay playwright Robert (Carey) Chesley succumbed to AIDS after a battle of almost three years. Kaposi's sarcoma lesions, which Chesley had proudly and publicly borne over this period, had reached his lungs and were complicated by pneumocystis pneumonia.

Robert Chesley was born on March 22, 1943 in Jersey City, NJ and raised in Pasadena, CA. From childhood, he was recognized as musically gifted. His family was activist Unitarians, but he felt no calling in this direction. After receiving his BA in Music from Reed College in Portland, OR, he married the former Jean Rusch and according to his story "wasted 10 years teaching rich kids in private schools (in upstate NY)."

In 1975, Chesley had his first gay experience, and within a year: came out as a gay teacher, separated from his wife and moved to New York City, where he threw himself with a passion into the gay liberation movement. During the next several years his journalism and theater criticism appeared in *Gay Community News*, the *Advocate*, *Gayweek*, the *San Francisco Review of Books*, the *Bay Guardian* and the *New York Native*.

Robert Chesley began writing plays for gay theater in 1980, when his first play, a one-act



titled *Hell, I Love You* was produced by San Francisco's Theatre Rhinoceros.

Chesley is survived by his mother, Mrs. Betty Rottger of Redondo Beach, CA; father, Dr. Leon Chesley of Long Island, NY; sister, Ms. Joan Apodaca of Manhattan Beach, CA and his lifemate, Gene Weber of San Francisco. Respecting his wishes, there was no memorial service, however a public performance from his work is scheduled in San Francisco.

Chesley's best known works are: *Stray Dog Story* (An Adventure in Ten Scenes), *Night Sweat* (A Romantic Comedy in Two Acts), *Jerker* or *The Helping Hand*.

According to Chesley, "My self-esteem comes from my dedication to the gay community and to erotic liberation -- a more basic issue. I don't believe in creeds. I'm a humanist, a renegade. What is important to me is figuring things out for myself; acting properly, ethically; offering good to the world."▼

OBITUARY POLICY: MGW Newspaper is honored to commemorate the lives of readers, friends and relatives of our readers, with an announcement. We ask that friends or relatives provide us with typewritten, double-spaced information either in person or by mail, not more than 250 words. Photographs need to be accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you would like to have the photo returned. There is no charge for this service.

PROFESSIONAL

Metaphysical Counseling

Clairvoyance, Aura, Past lives, Relationships, Prosperity and Christian healing.

Rev. Jeff Serkin, Ph.D.
489-7503 or 456-5685
VISA/M.C. ACCEPTED

Call for a free calendar of events

PSYCHIC READER



★ Tarot Cards,
★ Psychic, Aura,
★ Quartz Crystal
Readings

TELLS ALL, HELPS ALL

Reunites lovers,
results assured!
Answers one question by phone

Ms. Taylor 483-0943

growing

Balancing Act: Emotions and Health

by Sandra Warne, M.A.
OF MGW STAFF

Addiction: A problem of imbalance

From my own life experience and my work in the field, I know that addiction is an imbalance of the body and mind. It is the result of losing touch with ourselves, or reaching outside for stimulation and satisfaction because we no longer find gratification from within. Ego runs us; self is denied. Addicts are egomaniacs with inferiority complexes; relying on external stimulation to medicate the soul.

I am not just referring to "hard addictions" but also those obsessions that can become major hurdles in our pursuit of happiness.

Certainly eliminating the addictive element of particularly if its chemical, is the first step. But there are many other compulsions that one typically can't abstain from and function normally, or at all in our society. These are addictive behaviors and compulsions such as workaholicism, compulsive eating, perfectionism, procrastination and addiction to unhealthy relationships to name a few.

In my mind the addictive food, drugs, or situation -- while it contributes to the problem is never the cause of it.

The study of dual addictions suggests that there is more involved than a bad habit you ????? Think about the workaholic who chain smokes, the perfectionist who consumes coffee by the potful, and the

person who clings neurotically to a one-sided relationship and relies on tranquilizers to cope.

The trouble is we are living in a society that stresses outside stimulation. We set up dissatisfaction with ourselves, all the time. We go by what society says is the "right" way to be gratified. Very often society's expectations run paradoxically counter to our well being and "true" self. Sexual preference expectations are but one example. To counter this we must tune out external expectation and reconnect with ourselves, or for many of us, reconnect or connect for the first time, with a power greater than ourselves.

The outcome is the same. We begin to tune into our feelings. We do not "reform" or reject who we are, but instead we "transform" and accept who we are and thus operate on a higher octave. Most people who have addictions are hurting and suffering from low self-esteem -- they know only the voice of their unbalanced side. To know freedom from addiction is to know true empowerment. Its to understand, feel and be able to give to others from a relaxed and central core. For many that core is spiritual. The feeling experience can be a painful one but it is most always a positive one. This is a revelation that can release us from the slavery of addiction.

Compulsiveness: An epidemic of addictions

In this, and upcoming columns, I will be exploring the many faces of

addiction. Many of the "other addictions" -- to food, work, gambling, shopping, sex, and even exercise -- sound harmless enough, but for a growing number of people the activity has become an end in itself, tyrannizing and controlling, rather than enhancing lives.

What all addictions have in common is this compulsiveness. Despite negative consequences, the addicted person is driven to repeat the behavior -- as if responding to an inner command rather than to choice. The very mark of addictive behavior is that in trying to bring it under control, willpower is not enough.

In many ways, the power of addiction can be likened to a developing relationship. As we proceed through each stage, our involvement intensifies and the pull it exerts on us becomes stronger.

To understand why addictions are so epidemic, we must examine what mood-changes do for us, what are the payoffs? How are we "served" by them? This will help us understand the persistence of the addictions and why current approaches to it (like the war on drugs) are unlikely to work.

Next time I will discuss our attempt to adapt to a dysfunctional society by examining some of the attractions to addictions such as Relief from Isolation, Distraction from Feelings, Pseudopleasure, The Illusion of Control, Image Enhancement and Suspended Animation to name a few.▼

"I expect to have a meaningful relationship"

A local therapist talks to students

By Jim Walker
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

The mini-seminar included the affirmation "I expect to have a meaningful relationship." Fifty or more gay men and lesbians introducing themselves to each other and following their introductions with the specific affirmation.

Kate MacKenzie, L.C.S.W. is a different kind of psycho-therapist.

Even before the affirmation, the group did a visualization about relationships. Soft music played as the counselor repeated gentle words designed to produce images about relationships.

This was a free seminar at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Sacramento State.

"Being a psycho-therapist, you spend a lot of time listening- this is really an exciting opportunity tonight," she said.

MacKenzie talked about what holds gays and lesbians back in developing serious, long-term relationships. "Part of what is tough for us is that we don't have the family support sometimes. Where do we get validation of our relationship? As couples, we're so invisible, we're often even invisible to each other."

"We don't have a group of people we can point to and say they're like us. Another thing is being together doesn't necessarily mean it is a good relationship."

MacKenzie took a poll, asking the group how many knew a gay couple that had been together 15 years or more. Two hands. She asked how many knew a straight couple married more than 15 years. At least 15

hands were raised.

The affirmation "I expect to have a meaningful relationship," MacKenzie says is an important one because most gays and lesbians have a history.

"We don't expect them (our relationships) to be successful. We have a history of failures," she said. "But if you think of failures as a process of seeing what works and what doesn't for you, than you can make those failures work for you, rather than against you."

"We need to turn around our expectations about relationships and make some affirmations for a positive experience."

After the affirmation, in which each person had to greet three others, MacKenzie paired everyone into partners of two.

"We have some really deep-seeded beliefs. Start looking around about what in life you expect to come your way," she said.

"I want you to tell your partner what you like best about being gay; the thing you like least about being gay; the thing that makes you most angry about being a gay man; the thing you fear the most as a gay man; the thing you wouldn't want your partner to know about you."

After sharing with each other, some chose to share with the larger group. Almost a quarter of those present said they are worried about not having anyone when they get old. Kate said, "we often imagine ourselves alone. We also lose a lot of time when we are lonely teenagers and everyone else is going-out and learning what we usually don't get until we're in our twenties."

About being old and alone, MacKenzie said if we are really comfortable with ourselves, being alone is not something to fear.

"We will never have a better relationship with someone than we have with ourselves. You need to have a good relationship with yourself before you can have a good relationship with someone else."

"Some of us have a negative belief about relationships. It's like a scent that puts-off. People can sense desperation."

Later, MacKenzie talked about the difference between sex and intimacy.

"Intimacy doesn't have anything to do with sex. Intimacy is about how much closeness we need and about how much distance we need," she said.

MacKenzie says gays and lesbians tend to rush into relationships because a fear of abandonment often exists.

"You came with your suitcases on the second date. The sex is good, we get along alright, why pay two rents? Really, this is the little kid in us looking for someone who will love us the exactly the way we want to be loved. If we don't learn to clean-up our childhood, we end-up battling for control and lots of times, if we don't deal with our childhood, we up marrying our mothers or fathers."

About being out: "We are no stronger than our secrets. The more secrets we have, the less we are to ourselves. If you choose not to come-out, it is important to look at what is keeping you from coming-out and

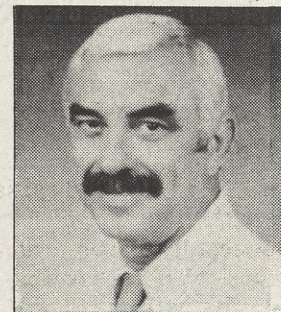
See LOCAL on page 26

ANNOUNCEMENT

Karen Myers, M.F.C.C.
is back ...
kind of ...

Karen continues to live in Sante Fe, but she is re-establishing a part-time therapy practice in Sacramento. Please call 916/329-3616 for an appointment.

Individual • Relationship • AIDS • Children



DR. GRADY H. BRASHER

BRASHER CHIROPRACTIC

7529 Sunset Ave., Suite K
Fair Oaks 95628
"In the San Juan Professional Building"
961-6100

Massage Therapist on staff

Auto Injuries • Workers' Comp • Insurance Cases



1820 PROFESSIONAL DR. SUITE 7
488-2440

health directory



Jill Kelly
M.S.S.W.

Licensed Clinical
Social Worker
Lic. No. LCS11340

916/443-6253
2011 P Street #102
Sacramento, CA
95814

Confidential AIDS Testing
V.D. Testing & Treatment
General Medical Services

THE EFFORT INC.

Mon-Fri: 6pm-9pm

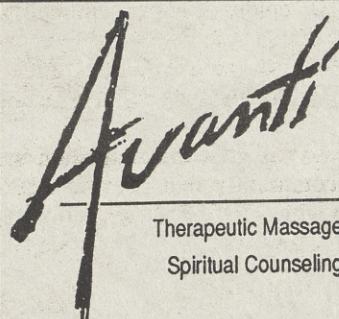
1820 J Street
Sacramento, CA/368-3070

Barbara J. Ballif, L.C.S.W. & Assoc

SANDRA WARNE, M.A.

Psychotherapy
MFCC Reg. Intern IMF17590

916/648-1443 or 916/973-9721
650 University Ave. Suite 209
Sacramento, CA 95825



Therapeutic Massage
Spiritual Counseling

MIDTOWN 447-3306



PROFESSIONAL MASSAGE

Intro offer
Buy 1, Get 1 Free

Reduces stress
Relaxes sore muscles
Peace of mind
Affordable, too!

Convenient location near Kaiser Hospital

Sean P. Letzin, C.M.T.
456-5685 or 489-7503

VISA & M.C. ACCEPTED

18th Street Counseling Services

Sharon L. Hartley, L.C.S.W.

Sean M. Hoag, L.C.S.W.

Charla M. Wistos, M.F.C.C.

Linda Marquis, L.C.S.W.

John F. Linder, L.C.S.W. intern

1216 18th St. 443-0560

Joyce Bright

Marriage, Family, Child Counseling
Intern, #15588

Supervised by
Deborah I. Couk, Ph.D.
Lic. # PSY10865

2509 Capitol Ave. Suite 202
Sacramento, CA 95816
916/446-1145

Midtown Chiropractic

"Complete Chiropractic Care
and Massage Therapy"

Lynn McNeal, DC

916.452.9461

3671 J Street
Sacramento

LESBIAN CRUISES

800-631-6277

7-NIGHT ALASKA CRUISE

June 19-26, 1992

Olivia
CRUISES
Making Your Dreams Come True



PASSPORT TRAVELCENTER
Sacramento's ONLY
Gay Owned and Operated
Travel Service
641-1140



Beach Cottages • Boat Launching
Boat Rentals • Kitchens
TV • Air Conditioning

OPEN ALL YEAR

10573 E. Hwy 20 • P.O. Box 1273
Clearlake Oaks, CA 95423-1273
(707) 998-1769

NEVADA

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE BED & BREAKFAST
ON KINGSBURY GRADE

full breakfast ♦ massage ♦ hot tub
deluxe rooms ♦ fantastic views ♦ non-smoking
hiking ♦ casinos ♦ mountain biking

INFO. & RESERVATIONS:
JIM GOTZMAN
(702-588-5559)

GAY CRUISES

Western Caribbean Cruise

7 Days, March 3-10, '91
Miami, Ocho Rios, Playa del Carmen &
Cozumel

Mexican Riviera Cruise

7 Days, March 23-30, '91
San Diego, Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan, &
Puerto Vallarta

French Canada Cruise

7 Days, June 29 - July 6, '91
Montreal, Quebec, Portland,
Provincetown, & New York

From \$795

For reservations and information call...

Expo Travel

916-920-1701

RSVP

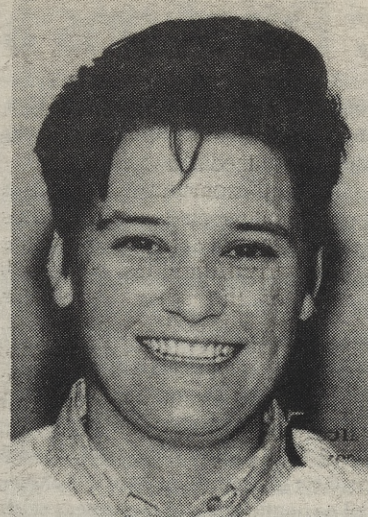


Q & A

Do you
have a
best friend,
and what
qualities
make them
special to
you?

Asked on the campus
of the California State
University at Sacramento

Photos by Pamela Coffey



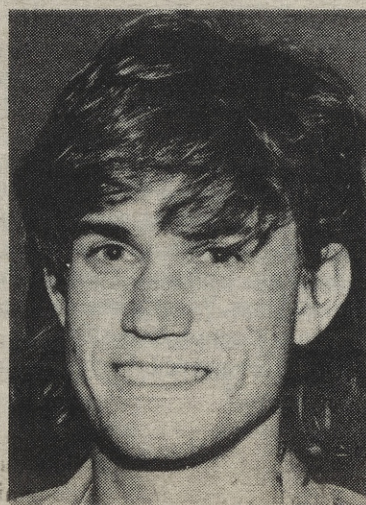
Gail Henderson
Social Science Graduate

I think she understands me, she really cares. She's strong when I'm weak and vice-versa and I think that's real important in a best friend and I think that's real important in a friendship.



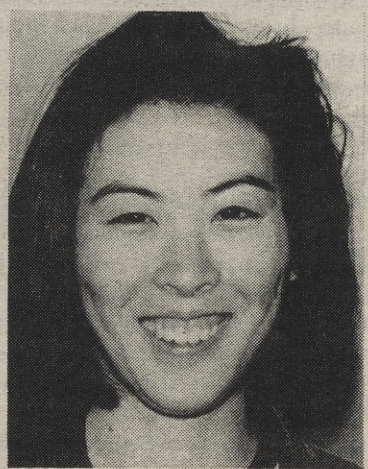
Salud Garcia
CSUS Graduate

She's her own person. She doesn't care; I mean she's kind, but she doesn't let other people's opinions or desires prevent her from doing what she wants to do.



Tim Nosall
CSUS Student

She tolerates me. My twisted sense of humor, my extreme points of view and my other friends.



Denise Okamoto
Comm. Studies Graduate

Yes- she's my lover. Our relationship is really strong. We like to hang-out with each other, we have a good time together and she's dependable, she's reliable, she shows-up for me and I show up for her. She's a stable person.



Jennifer Parsons
President CSUS N.O.W.

She's accepting, honest- brutally honest, one of those people that if you needed somebody to pick you up in New York and they're in California, they would drive their car to pick you up; doing special things.

faith notes

by John Williams
RELIGION EDITOR

Congregation Zha'ar Zahav in San Francisco will be having its annual Passover Seder at Ft. Mason March 30, 6:30pm. Cost is \$27, non-members; \$22, members; reservations required, 415-861-6932 ... In addition to its regular services the Revelation Church will have special speaker Tom Hirsch of Advance Christian Ministries on April 14, 11 am; 965-8825 ... The River City Metropolitan Community Church will host a passover seder on March 28 (Maundy Thursday); there is no charge, but reservations are limited to the first 50 persons. A Good Friday service centered on the last words of Jesus and the

removal of altar decorations will be held on March 29 at 7pm. On Easter Sunday there will be a morning sunrise service at 7am, McKinley Park. A continental breakfast will be served at the church with services at 9am, 11am and 6pm; 454-4762 ... The Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer passed a congregational resolution in January which officially welcomed persons with AIDS and their partners to active fellowship in the church. The church will hold its Easter Vigil on Saturday, March 29, 8pm and its Easter Sunday service at 10:15am; 483-5691 ... The Sacramento Unitarian Universalist Society will have a lesbian/gay interest potluck at a member's home on March 24. The church will also hold its Passover/

Easter service on March 30, 11am; 483-9283 ... The Restoration Church of Jesus Christ will be commemorating the restoration of the gospel to Joseph Smith on April 6, 1830 with its semi-annual general conference to be held in Sacramento over the Easter weekend. On Saturday, March 29, during the day there will be a general business meeting of the church and workshops offered on increasing spirituality and also membership/missionary work.

Saturday evening there will be a fireside social with improving relationships as a topic. The closing session of conference will be held on Easter Sunday, 2pm; 444-8291. ▼

LOCAL

Continued from page 19

be conscious of it." The last exercise of the evening had participants writing the top five qualities they look for in a partner. After talking about the qualities with your partner, you then had to rank yourself from one to ten on those same qualities.

"I suggest you know your criteria for what you want from a relationship and what you're looking for in a person."

"Be conscious of the decisions you are making." ▼

SYMPHONY

Continued from page 17

\$27 and \$40; available at the Community Center Theater Box Office, 14th & L, Mon-Sat., 10am-6pm, and one hour prior to the Sunday performances. For info, 449-5181. Charge by phone, 442-7827; VISA and Mastercard accepted. Tickets are also available at all BASS/Ticketmaster outlets, 923-BASS.

Two other G-R-E-A-T concerts are coming up this month, too. On the weekend of the 22nd, the legen-

dary pianist Alicia de Larrocha will play Bach and Ravel; that concert will include Ravel's Bolero and Manuel de Falla's Nights in the Gardens of Spain.

On the 29th and 30th, the orchestra will present a Pops! concert (not to be confused with the Classical Pops shows) called "The Big Band Revival." It'll be in the Exhibit Hall over on the J St. side of the Community Center. You can sit and enjoy the sounds of the 40's or get up and dance the jitterbug. Where's John Batchelor when we need him? ▼

cruise it

Mazda colors Miata sporting green

by Raoul Anthony Renaud
AUTOMOTIVE EDITOR

Now that sales of its adorable Miata roadster have leveled off to the point you can actually find them in stock and can buy them at or below retail price, Mazda has come out with a special edition of the sports car designed to lure buyers into showrooms. The new model, finished in British Racing Green with saddle leather interior, is intended to evoke memories of the English roadster of the 60's, most of which were that traditional forest green hue. The big difference is that you can actually rely on the Miata for everyday transportation; with roadsters of old the owner was just as likely to be found under the car as in it. The new color tones down the little car's rather flamboyant nature and may well attract sports car fans who felt the original Miata, available only in red, white or blue, was a bit too showy.

Consumer Reports Magazine recently lambasted Chrysler Motors' four-speed Ultradrive automatic

transmission, calling it "delicate" and "unreliable." Chrysler has acknowledged that there were problems with some transmissions in 1989 models, but that it fixed those under warranty and has eliminated those early difficulties. Now, in the wake of the adverse publicity, Chrysler will be telephone all 1.1 million owners of cars with Ultradrive transmissions to make sure they are happy with them and to offer free repairs if they are not. Can't say the American car industry isn't trying to satisfy customers these days.

Ask Dr. Cruise...

Dear Dr. Cruise:

We just bought a new 1991 Geo Prizm. We have been carefully following the break-in instructions in the owner's manual, but we are curious as to why the car has to be broken in and what would happen if we ignored the instructions. Also, what do you think of the idea of getting the first oil change after 1,000 miles or so instead of waiting the first 7,500 mile inter-

val? -- Jan and Laurie, Sacramento

Dear Jan and Laurie:

First, let me congratulate you on your new car. You chose a good one. Second, let me congratulate you for reading your owner's manual. It is amazing how few people take the time to do this. Half the questions I get from readers can be answered from the owner's manual sitting in their glove compartment.

Typical break-in instructions call for limiting top speeds, avoiding fast starts, and avoiding driving at a constant speed for long stretches. The parts inside the car engine are fitted very tightly together and during the first few hundred miles they are establishing their positions against one another. By varying speeds you load and unload those parts so they don't establish a single "groove" to work in; by limiting top speeds and avoiding fast starts you won't put undue stress on those parts while they are still tight.

The most common result of failing to follow the break-in instructions is an engine that uses more oil

than it should. However, many engines that don't receive a proper break-in give excellent service and many engines that are carefully broken in wind up being troublesome.

I definitely would change the oil and filter after the first 500-1,000 miles of driving. If you dip a magnet into that drained oil you'd be amazed at all the metal filings that cling to it. I wouldn't want that stuff circulating around my engine for very long. I also think the 7,500 mile interval is too long even after break-in -- I recommend changing oil and filter after 3,000-4,000 miles of driving or every six months whichever comes first.

Dear Dr. Cruise:

My neighbor warms up his 1975 GMC pickup every morning for at least 15 minutes before he drives off. This makes a lot of noise and fumes. He says it's necessary to make the engine last. I say it's a waste of time, gas and wakes me up. What do you say? -- Frank, Rancho Cordova

Dear Frank:

It doesn't make any sense to warm an engine up for that long unless it's below zero outside, or you're hauling a very heavy trailer (like 3,500 lbs). In fact, it probably does more harm than good. While the engine is cold it is running rich, meaning more gas is going into the cylinders. At the same time, oil pressure is low because the engine is idling. The excess gas can wash the oil off the cylinder walls and you are running with poor lubrication.

It isn't necessary to run the engine for more than a few seconds before driving off. Drive gently for the first few minutes. Under load, the engine will actually warm up faster, and instead of wasting gas and annoying your neighbors you'll be that much closer to your destination.

Send your automotive news, events, comments, questions to Automotive Editor, MGW, 1725 L St., Sac. 95814.▼

common sense & your pets

How much is that doggy in the window?

by Joan B. Guertin
OF MGW STAFF

Strolling through a local mall last Saturday I came upon a pet shop. Much against my better judgment I wandered in, joined the crowds clustered around the puppy cages and fought to stifle very mixed emotions. The dog lover in me couldn't help being charmed by gig, sad eyes that seemed to beg for someone to pick up the accompanying bundle of fur. The emotional pull was incredible and watches the faces around me I could see the same struggle ... the urge to take one of these charming little waifs home.

On the other hand, the breeder/trainer/behaviorist side rose up in anger. These are the puppies that are often innocent victims of human greed and exploitation. These are the products of puppy mills; shipped in from out of state; often much too young to be taken from the litter and destined to spend the most impressionable months of their young lives in a cage until some soft-hearted soul asks that historic question, "How much is that doggy in the window?"

The large Akita puppy in one cage looked to be about four-and-a-half to five months old. The sign over his cage indicated that he was a "Kansas" puppy. Since puppies are their most appealing at six to 10

weeks, it is easy to assume that this pup left the litter about that time, was shipped at about eight weeks and has spent the better part of two to two-and-a-half months locked up in a cubicle large enough for him to stand up and turn around. He has probably not had other dogs to relate to. The only contact with people has mostly been the adults who feed, water and clean. He probably does not know how to play and when taken to a family environment, will suffer culture shock from being overwhelmed by the sights and sounds inundating him. Depending on his basic temperament, he may be either extremely shy or extremely aggressive, seldom is a puppy with this age and background totally stable.

Regardless, the puppy will need some very special handling, a great deal of patience and careful socialization. We can contrast this puppy to a child that has been kept locked in his bedroom for the first six years of his life. The social skills are non-existent and the fears border on being neurotic. If the buyer has the patience, is a long-time dog owner with some knowledge of canine behavior, the puppy may emerge emotionally in tact. Last summer a gentleman brought me a six-month-old Keeshond that he'd purchased at four-and-a-half months and the dog still huddle in corners of the yard and was terrified of playing with children. This was a puppy he was contemplating taking to the SPCA. Unfortunately, the pup probably was euthanized, just another case of a puppy mill/pet shop puppy that became a victim.

Unfortunately, the buyer becomes

a victim as well because he has invested time, money and emotion into a project that failed. For this particular buyer, the Keeshond now has a bad name as a breed because of this experience.

Puppy buyers need to keep in mind that they are selecting a friend that will be a member of the family for 10 to 15 years. Therefore, picking a puppy should not be based solely on emotion. Remember that early socialization within the litter with mother and siblings is part of developing the emotional security and self-confidence that a healthy dog needs to go through life. The uninformed breeder (or backyard variety) will be in a hurry to sell the pups the minute they are weaned. Conversely, the informed breeder, understanding canine behavior, will be reluctant to allow a pup to leave the litter much before eight weeks of age. I personally never buy a puppy under 10 weeks. Pups need the social skills that they get from their siblings and mother in those first crucial two-and-a-half to three months of age.

So, next time you feel pulled to the pet shop window, tough as it may be, resist the lure of soulful eyes. If no one buys pet shop puppies, eventually maybe the puppy mills and brokers will be forced out of business.

Next issue look for information on where to look for sound puppies and what to look for. Some tips on temperament testing.

For those interested in getting their dogs ready for the Spring Show Circuit, new Conformation classes are being offered by Charlotte Fielder at 682-2812, Mon. nights in Elk Grove, or JoAnne Beam and Judy Padgug, Thurs. in Rio Linda; 991-5929.▼

Joan B. Guertin, owner of Common Sense Dog Training is a Canine Behaviorist and trainer utilized a psychological, nonaggressive approach to training and problem solving. She has trained since 1957. Watch for dates of upcoming classes.▼



PET'S PARADISE

PET SHOP & GROOMING
\$2.00 OFF
DOG AND CAT GROOMING

(Free flea dip and medicated shampoo with grooming)

10% OFF

ALL PETS AND PET SUPPLIES

4221 Freeport Boulevard
Sacramento, CA 95822
456-9336

LAND PARK PET CENTER

for all your pet needs

Dog & Cat Grooming
Cat & Bird Boarding
Family owned and operated for over 20 years

456-4537

4420 Del Rio Rd.
Land Park & Sutterville

Pet Food Home Delivery

Science Diet, Nutro, Purina & more!

PET STOP

452-PETS(7387)

LOW COST

Spay, Neuter & Vaccination Clinic

\$5 OFF Any spay or neuter
\$2 OFF Any vaccination

Tues & Fri 4-6pm Sat 12-3pm

SOUTHSIDE VETERINARY

CLINIC 7298 Franklin Blvd 395-9321

South of Florin across from Home Club

Just Ducky

Pet-sitting in your Home



Dorothy & Inka
925-4149
Bonded & Insured

WAGGIN' TAILS



K-9 WASTE REMOVAL
983-9334

"WE DO DOO-DOO"

Animal Housecalls

Personalized Pet Care
In Your Home



Dr. Nancy Weagly
Cat & Dog Only
Some Weekend
Appointments
(916) 456-0967

THE KENNEL ROOM

Dog & Cat Grooming



925-4149

2160 Marconi Avenue (at Howe)
Sacramento, CA 95821

CAPITOL AQUARIUM

Enter a world of aquatic beauty in our custom-designed 7000 square foot aquarium store. The lush foliage and cascading waterfalls will make you feel close to nature. See the 1000 gallon aquariums housing large specimens of tropical fish. We also have over 500 clean aquariums boasting both common & unusual varieties of healthy, exotic fish. We offer cheerful, knowledgeable assistance backed by over 25 years experience. Ask about our aquarium maintenance service for your home or office.

Serving the Discriminating Hobbyist since 1951

10-5:30pm daily
12-4pm Sunday

1920 29th Street at T Street
452-5556



**66 Steps
from J Street**
... and fast becoming a
midtown institution

Midtown Books

Open Mon-Sat 10am-9pm • Sun. 11am-6pm
1014 24th Street (btwn J & K) • 442-1464



**Judy's
Gifts & Books**

2231 J Street
(Now at 23rd & J Street)
443-3236

12-STEP LITERATURE
• Drug & Alcohol Abuse
• Adult Children of Alcoholics
• AIDS
• Adult Survivors of Child Abuse
• Relationships
• Meditation Books
**GIFTS FOR OURSELVES &
FRIENDS IN RECOVERY**
• Medallions
• Jewelry
• Greeting Cards
• Bumper Stickers



**Lioness
Books**

☐ Books
☐ Music
☐ Crafts
☐ T-Shirts
☐ Greeting Cards
☐ Gay Men's Literature
☐ And Much More

Mon-Fri 11am-7pm
Sat. 12-6pm
442-4657
2224 J Street

Save Paper...

**NO MORE
JUNK MAIL!**

Mail Preference Service
Direct Marketing Assoc.
6 East 43rd St.
New York, NY 10017

Computer Works

PC Consultants

From Start-up to expansion, we will provide
answers to your software and hardware needs.

Training available. Private accounts welcome . .
(800) 479-2422

PRINTPLACE

Quality Printing Since 1969

- Printing
- Free Color Inks
- Typesetting
- Binding - Velo & Spiral
- High Speed Duplicators
- Self Serve Copiers
- FAX

Two Locations to Serve You

Downtown - 1129 I Street
(corner of 12th and I)
Parking at the door

(916) 443-2591

South Area - 5039 Freeport Blvd.
(near Fruitridge Rd.)

(916) 452-3675

Grady's Copy Shop

Offering Quality &
Service in Reproduction

1228 H Street, Sacramento, California

444-6166

books, etc.

Lambda Literary Awards finalists announced

Lambda Book Report announced finalists for the Third Annual Lambda Literary Awards. The Awards, recognizing excellence in gay and lesbian writing and publishing, will be presented during a gala banquet in New York City on Friday, May 31, on the eve of the American Booksellers Association Convention.

From the thousands of nominations received for the awards, 86 titles from 43 different publishers were selected as the finalists. The country's largest gay and lesbian presses, Alyson Publications and Naiad Press respectively, placed the most finalists with six each. Titles

appearing in more than one category are *The Trouble with Harry Hay* by Stuart Timmons (Alyson), *Virago* by Karen Marie Christa Minns (Naiad), *The Body and its Dangers* by Allen Barnett (St. Martin's Press), and *Susie Sexpert's Lesbian Sex World* by Susie Bright (Cleis Press).

Awards will be presented in 18 categories: Lesbian Fiction, Gay Men's Fiction, Lesbian Non-fiction, Gay Men's Non-fiction, Lesbian Anthologies, Gay Men's Anthologies, Lesbian Mystery, Gay Men's Mystery, Lesbian Science Fiction/Fantasy, Gay Men's Science Fiction/Fantasy, Lesbian Poetry, Gay

Men's Poetry, Lesbian Debut, Gay Men's Debut, Gay Publisher's Book Award, Lesbian Publisher's Book Award, and AIDS writing.

Also to be presented that night are the Second Annual Ferro-Grumley Awards for Lesbian and Gay Fiction, the Third Annual Bill Whitehead Lifetime Achievement Award sponsored by the Publishing triangle, and the 1991 Gregory Kolovakos Award for AIDS Writing.

For information: LAMBDA BOOK REPORT, 1625 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009-1013 or phone 202-462-7924.▼



Third Annual LAMBDA LITERARY AWARDS

sponsored by Lambda Book Report



— Finalists —

Gay Men's Small Press Book Award:

Daddy's Roommate by Michael Willhoite (Alyson Publications)
Gays in Uniform by Kate Dyer (Alyson Publications)
Hard Plays/Stiff Parts by Robert Chesley (Alamo Square Press)
Some Dance to Remember by Jack Fritscher (Knights Press)
The Trouble with Harry Hay by Stuart Timmons (Alyson Publications)

Lesbian Small Press Book Award:

Black Women's Health Book by Evelyn C. White (Seal Press)
Different Mothers edited by Louise Rafkin (Cleis Press)
Dykes-Loving-Dykes by Bev Jo, Linda Strega, and Ruston (Battleaxe)
Making Face/Making Soul by Gloria Anzaldua (Aunt Lute Foundation)
Staying Power by Susan Johnson (Naiad Press)

Lesbian Debut Award:

Her by Cherry Muhanji (Aunt Lute Foundation)
Simple Songs by Vickie Sears (Firebrand Books)
Take Me to the Underground by Renee Hansen (Crossing Press)
Virago by Karen Marie Christa Minns (Naiad Press)
Voyages Out 2 by Julie Blackwomom & Nona Caspers (Seal Press)

Gay Men's Debut Award:

Body and Its Dangers by Allen Barnett (St. Martin's Press)
Dancing on Tisha B'av by Lev Raphael (St. Martin's Press)
Horse and Other Stories by Bo Huston (Amethyst Press)
Landscape: Memory by Matthew Stadler (Scribners)
This Every Night by Patrick Moore (Amethyst Press)

AIDS:

AIDS Demo Graphics by Douglas Crimp (Bay Press)
Inventing AIDS by Cindy Patton (Routledge Press)
Surviving AIDS by Michael Callen (HarperCollins)
The Way We Live Now edited by Elizabeth Osbourn (Theater Communications Group)
Women, AIDS & Activism by ACT UP/New York Women and AIDS Book Group (South End Press)

Gay Men's Poetry:

Chant of the Women of Magdalena by SDiane Bogus (Woman in the Moon Publications)
Crime Against Nature by Minnie Bruce Pratt (Firebrand Books)
A Few Words in the Mother Tongue by Irena Klepfisz (Eighth Mountain)
Going Back to the River by Marilyn Hacker (Random House)
The Patience of Metal by Yvonne Zipter (Hutchinson House)

Lesbian Poetry:

Chant of the Women of Magdalena by SDiane Bogus (Woman in the Moon Publications)
Crime Against Nature by Minnie Bruce Pratt (Firebrand Books)
A Few Words in the Mother Tongue by Irena Klepfisz (Eighth Mountain)
Going Back to the River by Marilyn Hacker (Random House)
The Patience of Metal by Yvonne Zipter (Hutchinson House)

Gay Men's Science Fiction/Fantasy:

Alternate Casts by Marsh Cassidy (Banned Books)
Enchantments of Flesh & Spirit by Storm Constantine (TOR)
The Gift by Scott Edelman (Space and Time)
Magic's Price by Mercedes Lackey (DAW)
Secret Matter by Toby Johnson (Lavender Press)

Lesbian Science Fiction/Fantasy:

Doc and Fluff by Pat Califia (Alyson Publications)
Gossamer Axe by Gael Baudino (ROC)
Mighty Good Road by Melissa Scott (Baen Books)
Priorities by Lynda Lyons (Naiad Press)
Virago by Karen Marie Christa Minns (Naiad Press)

Gay Men's Mystery:

Black Marble Pool by Stan Leventhal (Amethyst Press)
Body to Dye For by Grant Michaels (St. Martin's Press)
Boy Who Was Buried This Morning by Joseph Hansen (Viking)
Howtown by Michael Nava (HarperCollins)
Why Isn't Becky Twitchell Dead? by Mark Richard Zubro (St. Martin's)

Lesbian Mystery:

A Captive in Time by Sarah Dreher (New Victoria Publishers)
Death Down Under by Claire McNab (Naiad Press)
Gaudi Afternoon by Barbara Wilson (Seal Press)
Ninth Life by Lauren Wright Douglas (Naiad Press)
Slick by Camarin Grae (Naiad Press)

Lesbian and Gay Humor:

Meatmen Vol. 8 edited by Winston Leyland (Leyland Publications)
More Lesbian Etiquette by Gail Sausser (Crossing Press)
New, Improved Dykes to Watch Out For by Alison Bechdel (Firebrand)
Stonewall Riots by Andrea Natalie (Andrea Natalie)
Susie Sexpert's Lesbian Sex World by Susie Bright (Cleis Press)

Lesbian Nonfiction:

Ceremonies of the Heart by Becky Butler (Seal Press)
Exile in the Promised Land by Marcia Freedman (Firebrand)
Loony-Bin Trip by Kate Millett (Simon & Schuster)
The Safe Sea of Women by Bonnie Zimmerman (Beacon Press)
Susie Sexpert's Lesbian Sex World by Susie Bright (Cleis Press)

Gay Men's Nonfiction:

Behind the Mask by Dave Pallone (Viking)
Coming Out Under Fire by Alan Berube (Free Press)
My Country, My Right to Serve by Mary Ann Humphrey (HarperCollins)
So Little Time by Mike Hippler (Celestial Arts)
The Trouble with Harry Hay by Stuart Timmons (Alyson Publications)

Gay Men's Anthologies:

Gay Men of Alcoholics Anonymous by Robert Kus (WinterStar Press)
Keys to Caring edited by Robert Kus (Alyson Publications)
Men & Intimacy edited by Franklin Abbott (Crossing Press)
Men on Men 3 edited by George Stambolian (Plume)
Triple Fiction by Cassidy, Smith, & Stone (Los Hombres)

Lesbian Anthologies:

Lesbian Bedtime Stories 2 edited by Terry Woodrow (Tough Dove)
Lesbian Philosophies and Cultures edited by Jeffner Allen (SUNY Press)
Lesbian Texts and Contexts edited by Karla Jay and Joanne Glasgow (New York University Press)
Speaking for Ourselves edited by Irene Zahava (Crossing Press)
Women on Women edited by Joan Nestle and Naomi Holoch (Plume)

Gay Men's Fiction:

Afterlife by Paul Monette (Crown Publishers)
Body and Its Dangers by Allen Barnett (St. Martin's Press)
Home at the End of the World by Michael Cunningham (FSG)
Music I Never Dreamed Of by John Gilgun (Amethyst Press)
A Place I've Never Been by David Leavitt (Viking)

Lesbian Fiction:

Don Juan in the Village by Jane DeLynn (Pantheon)
Incidents Involving Mirth by Anna Livia (Eighth Mountain Press)
My Jewish Face and Other Stories by Melanie Kaye/Kantrowitz (Spinsters Book Co.)
Out of Time by Paula Martinac (Seal Press)
People In Trouble by Sarah Schulman (Dutton)

BOTTOMS UP

Continued from page 17

And "Hurray For the City," the closing number of the evening, was performed by Risque Business.

Any mention of the evening's proceeds could not fail to mention the tireless efforts of Jimmy Emerson as the infamous "Miss Roseann Barr." From the moment Miss Barr came on stage, it was apparent something interesting was afoot. In a nutshell, Miss Barr had his/her fingers into everything that night, and what she brought to the benefit and later to the reception at Tahoe's

Faces Disco (not affiliated with Sacramento's Faces), was pure wit and personality. Miss Barr kept the evening on a steady roll of laughs all night as Mistress of Ceremonies- she handled it all so well.

Following the entertainment section of AIDS benefit, the manager of the heterosexual Nero's, opened the club to all, allowing the general public, including lesbians and gays to form one big party on the dance floor.

While many stayed to enjoy the party at Nero's, lots of people chose to attend the buffet being served at Faces.

The people at Faces were very

friendly and approachable. Some of those in the bar actually came-up and started a conversation about the evening's happenings. The buffet was also very good and the DJ in tune with what the audience wanted.

This was one fun evening. I'm making plans to attend again next year as well as a return visit to Faces in the near future.

Special thanks for such a special evening should be extended to the Lake Tahoe AIDS Task Force and Nero's.

Faces of Lake Tahoe is location at 270 Kingsbury Grade, a 10 to 15 minute walk or \$5 taxi ride from Caesar's Hotel/Casino.▼

business directory

AIDS Residence

HOPE HOUSE, a project of Loaves and Fishes, Box 2161 Sac 95812, 446-0874

Attorneys

HARTWELL & HARTWELL, 1722 J St., #17A, 442-5437

M. JANE PEARCE, 1722 J St., Suite 17, 447-5458
ROSEMARY METRAILER, CAROLYN LANGENKAMP, MARGARET GEDDES, 1329 H St., 447-7255

SAMUEL W. MURDOCH, 2625 Fair Oaks Blvd., 978-9746

Bars

BUFF, 19th & S, 442-1087.
FACES, 2000 K, 448-7798.
JOSEPH'S, 2062 Auburn, 649-9248.
MERCANTILE, 20th & L, 442-0185.
OUR PLACE, 2560 Boxwood, 649-8420.
TOWNHOUSE, 1517 21st, 441-5603.
WESTERN, 2001 K, 443-9831
WRECK ROOM, 2513 Broadway, 443-1181.

Beads

BARBETTA'S, 1004 24th St., 443-4959

Bicycles

CITY BICYCLE WORKS, 2419 K St., 447-2453.
REX CUSTOM CYCLES, 1930 Capitol, 446-5706.

Books

JUDY'S GIFTS & BOOKS, 2231 J St., 443-3236
LIONESS BOOKS, 2224 J St., 442-4657
MIDTOWN BOOKS, 1014 24th St., 442-1464

Carpet

HARDWICK'S CARPETS, 454-0603

Carpet Cleaning

WIMPY'S CARPET CARE, 444-8810

Chiropractor

DR. GRADY H. BRASHER, 7529 Sunset, Suite K, Fair Oaks, 961-8100

DR. GARY W. ROBINSON, 3001 J St., Sac., 95816 443-8100

CHANNEY CHIROPRACTIC CARE, Dr. Karen L. Chaney, 2916 D' Northgate Blvd., Sac. 95833, 641-5400

MIDTOWN CHIROPRACTORS, Lynn McNeal, DC, 3671 J St., 452-9461

Clothing

QUALITY IRISH IMPORTS, 1021 R St.,

446-1877.

Computers

R & D MICROGRAPH X, 2401 L St. Lower, 444-3839.

Dentist

ARTHUR KATZ, D.D.S., 1820 Professional Dr., #7, 488-2440

Electrical

TOM SEARES, 348-6931

Financial

MARK WHISLER, CFP, 446-6666
WHITNEY & KILLICK FINANCIAL SERVICES, 2321 Lloyd Lane, 486-8985

Florist

LÁ FLEUR, 1620 W. El Camino, #150, 452-6715.

Gardening

ENGLISH GARDEN CARE, Ltd., 489-8903

Gifts

SUBSCRIPTIONS to MGW!!

Graphic Designers

MGW GRAPHICS & TYPESETTING, 1725 L St., 95814, 441-6397

Hair

LAURIE, Hair Cutting Mill, 2713 Riverside, 442-6820

PHOENIX RISING, 3193 Riverside Blvd., 443-5478

THE MAJESTIC LOOK, 2000 Marconi Ave., #B1, 921-2388

PAT MEDINA, The Associates, 3714 J St., 455-0667

Handyman/Woman

FEATHER YOUR NEST, 652-4204

HERB & GREG, 446-0459

Health Club

VALENTIS, 921 Eleventh St. nr. J St. 442-2874

Housekeeping

OLGA'S, 453-0762

Insurance

FARMERS INSURANCE, Sue Wolf, 1237 J St., 441-2776

Jewelry

ARARIETY FINE JEWELRY, 1021 R St., 446-1535.

BARBETTA'S, 1004 24th St., 443-4959.

Massage

CYNTHIA L. ADELIZZI, C.M.T., 452-7734

PATRICIA DIGIORGIO, C.M.T. (women only), Lic. #611091, 486-1006

SEAN LETZIN, C.M.T., 456-5685

Maintenance

WIMPY'S CARPET CARE, 444-8810

Medical Transcription

DEBBIE VEAL, 921-9221, X282

Metaphysician

REV. JEFF SERKIN, Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, 489-7503.

Motels/Inns/Resorts

BLUE FISH COVE, 10573 E. Hwy. 20, Box 1273, Clear Lake Oaks, 95423, 707-998-1769

LANGTRY INN, 637 Steiner, S.F., 415-863-0538

NYVADA BED & BREAKFAST, Box 6835, Stateline NV 89449, 702-588-5559

Pets

ANIMAL HOUSECALL SERVICE, Dr. Nancy Weagly, 456-0967

CAPITOL AQUARIUM, 29th & T St., 5433 Auburn Blvd., 452-5556 or 331-1361

JUST DUCKY, Pet-sitting, 925-4149

KENNEL ROOM, 2160 Marconi & Howe, Grooming Dogs & Cats, 925-4149

LAND PARK PET CENTER, 4420 Del Rio, 456-4537.

PET PARADISE, 4221 Freeport, 456-9336

POCKET SOUTH PET HOSPITAL, 7465 Rush River Dr., #160, 395-PETS

Photography

DEBORAH GOLDSTEIN PHOTOGRAPHY & DESIGN, 1010 24th St., 448-1303

Psychologist

JOANNE MARROW, Ph.D. Lic. # PA8571, 3000 T St., 454-5656

ELLIE ZACKS, Ph.D., Lic. # PSY10426, 7509 Madison Ave., #B105, C.H. 95610, 967-0611

Printing

FIRST IMPRESSIONS PRINTING, 2330 Alhambra, 737-0115

GRADY'S COPY SHOP, 1228 H St., 444-6166

PRINT PLACE, 1129 I Street, 443-2591

Real Estate

ZANA BLAZER REALTY, 650 Howe Ave., #110, 95825, 929-0222

REMY CECI, GBC Realtors, 455-8054

KELLEY REALTOR, 6371 Riverside Blvd., 393-1111

PFINGST REALTY/Dirk Fullmer, 967-5668 (h), 362-1166

PFINGST REALTY/Vicki Pfingst, 9978 Folsom Blvd., 95827, 362-1166

JAYNE ROUNTREE, Broker, Rountree Real Estate, 921-6642

WHISLER AND COMPANY, 446-6666

Remodeling

RENAISSANCE CONSTRUCTION, Lic. #384772, Steve Neville, 442-6565

Repairs/Service

MIKE'S REFRIGERATION, FREEZER, HEATERS & AIR, 455-6540

SEARE'S ELECTRICAL SERVICE, Box 112, Carmichael, 348-6931

Security

S.C.S. ENTERPRISES, 209 Harding Blvd., 773-5057

Tax Preparation

GOLD RUSH INVESTMENT & TAX SERVICE, 2417 K St., #3, Sac. 95816, 448-1974

WHISLER FINANCIAL GROUP, 446-6666

WHITNEY & KILLICK FINANCIAL SERVICES, 2321 Lloyd Lane, 486-8985

Theaters

TOWER THEATER, 2508 Land Park Dr., 443-6551

Therapist/Counselors

Minimal standard as a Therapist, Counselor, Psychologists include: Name, phone number, highest relevant degree (M.D., M.S.W., Ph.D. and in what field), and California State License number. Unlicensed therapists/counselors who advertise should include a statement including they are "not licensed therapists."

THE EFFORT, 1820 J St., 95814, 368-3070

JOYCE BRIGHT, M.S., M.F.C.C. Intern #15588, supervised by Deborah I. Couk, Ph.D., #PSY10865, 2509 Capitol Ave., #202, 446-1145.

18TH STREET COUNSELING SERVICES Sharon L. Hartley- L.C.S.W.; Sean M. Hoag- L.C.S.W.; Charla M. Wistos M.F.C.C.; John F. Linder- L.C.S.W.; Intern: Linda Marquis- L.C.S.W. 1216 18th Street, 443-0560

MELINDA FACELLI, M.A. #IMF15850, Intern to Gaylon Palmer, #7207 Citrus Heights, 863-7096.

SANDRA FIELDS, Ph.D., L.C.S.W., Lic. #3725, 2740 Fulton Ave., #120, 484-6376

BOB HALL, M.F.C.C., Lic. #MU19878, 2470 Fulton Ave., #100D, 481-9141

JILL KELLY, M.S.S.W., #LCS11340, 2011 P St., #102, 443-6253.

KAREN MYERS, M.F.C.C., Lic. #25059, 1731 I St., 329-3616.

LINDA PAOLI, L.C.S.W., Lic. #9184, 2628 El Camino, #C1, 972-7831

DAN RUDD, Ph.D., Lic. #6236, 897 Embarcadero Dr., #213, El Dorado Hills, 939-4473.

SANDRA WARNE, M.A., M.F.C.C. Intern to Barbara Ballif, L.C.S.W. & Associates, 650 University Ave., #209, 648-1443, 973-9721.

Tilesetter

STODDARD TILE COMPANY, Lic. #536338, Kim, 454-2896

Travel

PASSPORT TRAVELCENTER, 1500 W. El Camino, #257, 641-1140

EXPO TRAVEL, 2100 Arden Way, #165, 920-1701.

T-Shirts

ECHO SHIRTS, 2114 19th St., 443-ECHO

Typesetting

MGW TYPESETTING & GRAPHICS, 1725 L St., 95814, 441-6397

Veterinarian

ANIMAL HOUSECALL SERVICE, Dr. Nancy Weagly, 456-0967

POCKET SOUTH PET HOSPITAL, 7465 Rush River Dr., #160, 395-PETS

SOUTHSIDE VETERINARY CLINIC, 7298 Franklin Blvd., 395-9321

Vibrators

GOOD VIBRATIONS, 1210 Valencia, S.F., 415-550-0827 1210-S

Voice Info Services

CONNECTIONS USA, 1007 N. Federal Hwy., #251, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304, 1-900-646-4646

classified

Bed & Breakfast

HOLLY'S PLACE - Tahoe. Women's retreat, hot tub, bicycle, hiking. Cottages \$75-95; priv. rms. \$48-58; 1-544-7040. (x0601)

Crisis Line

24-HR CRISIS HOTLINE ... Open Institute; 800-444-9999.

Employment

GRAPHIC DESIGNER for newspaper layout, must have at least 1 year exp. Part-time 25 hrs./wk. Resume, portfolio required; 441-6397.

For Rent

GAY & LESBIAN COMPLEX, 1 bdrm., \$420 + \$420. Nonsmoker, PWA welcome; Larry 448-5622, Freeport area.

Misc for Sale

MITA COPY MACHINE Needs new drum. Best offer, 441-6397

DISHWASHER, portable \$150; electric stove \$150; 441-6422.

Personals-Men

HAVE you been the victim of a hate crime? Call 923-2933.

GAY COUPLE seeks new friends for biking, camping, dinner, theatre, etc. Sincere only reply to: Box 22201, Sac. 95822.

GENTLEMAN is looking for company of GWM, age 18-21. Please send picture w/phone # to MGW Box 15, 1725 L St., Sac. 95814. (x0401)

WANTED: One GWM, 30-35, masculine, athletic, of fit spirit, body and mind for no "BS" allowed relationship. I'm GWM, 5'11", 33 yr. old, 145 lb., handsome, two-stepp'n runner; 392-6134 Mark. DO YOU HAVE AN HOUR TO SPARE? MGW needs help on phones, typing, organizing, proofreading, etc. 441-6397.

Personals-Women

GBF seeks fun-loving, serious, sports-minded, energetic GF for exciting new relationship/partnership. I am all of the above & looking forward to meeting the right person! Box 188680, Sac. 95818.

GWF, 26, blonde hair, green eyes. My interests are music, movies, long drives, & romantic wknds. If this sounds intriguing, & you are betw. 20-45, drop me a letter. MGW Box 14, 1725 L St., Sac. 95814. (x0401)

TRAVEL & outings especially enjoyed by new-toads GWF mid-40s. I'm warm-hearted, affectionate, liking quiet times. You're bright, even-tempered caring, compassionate. We're both soft/strong women willing to let a relationship evolve gradually. Your reply treated respectfully. Sincere only. Box 54, Folsom 95630. (x0515)

HAVE you been the victim of a hate crime? Call 923-2933.

Roommates

MF to share 3 bdrm., 2 ba. house, south area. No smoking, \$350/mo. + 1/2 util., sm. pet OK; 682-3575.

S. NATOMAS, 2 bdrm. condoto share. Sec., pool, \$260/mo., \$100 dep.; 646-6923, Robert.

HIGH RISE condo to share w/GWM 27, prof. inc. bdrm., own bath, W/D hookup, sec. pkg., freeway access, w/exc. view of city. Must be neat, nature, resp., \$340 + 1/2 util; Frank 446-7835. (x0401)

NICE 3 bd/2 ba. house near Sac State. \$270/mo.; 386-2504 aft. 7pm or iv. message.

GF to share home, \$275 mo., 1/3 util. East area, W/D, nonsmoker. Avail. now, BIG backyard; 739-8517.

ROOMMATE wanted to share 3 bdrm., 1 ba. house in W. Sac. Smoking OK, moderate drinking OK. \$250/mo, 1/2 util.; Charles 372-6980 eves. (x0401)

SHARE 2 bdrm., 2 1/2 ba. twnhse. so. area. \$220 rent, 1/2 util. Avail. April 1; 391-8596.

SHARE lg. 3 bdrm. apt. downtown. \$230/mo, 1/3 util; 442-1123

LESBIAN 28-40 wanted to share quiet F.O. home. \$250/mo. + 1/2 util. & dep. Out & mature only, no drugs; 966-5431 Veronica.

ROOM for rent, midtown twnhse. \$275/mo. Includes util. (excludes phone), smokers OK, no pets. Application to rent required; 737-1813 aft. 6pm.

WANT mstr. brdm/ba. in 3 bdrm. house, 15 min. from CSUS for \$300? GWF prof. seeks stable M/F w/sense of humor. Dog OK. Avail. 4/1 or 3/15. 362-6941.

GWM/GAM to share 2 bdrm/2 ba. condo w/GWM, 34, prof. Unit in S. Natomas, non-smoker, pool, jac, W/D, trpic, cable. \$300 mo. + 1/2 util. Quiet complex; 648-9722.

NEED a place to call home? Let's talk! 920-5868, Lynn.

4 BDRM. home on the river, hot tub, vegetarian, dog lover. \$300 + 1/2 util. 739-6233. x0315

ROOMIES Confidential Gay roommate matching. Sacramento, Stockton, and major cities nationwide! 1-800-272-8372, 2pm-8pm. x0715

Services

MESSAGE for men ... Enjoy a friendly, relaxing, sensuous full-body Swedish massage by a gd. lking, 27-year-old bodybuilder w/strong hands & a gentle heart. Come visit heaven! Call Scott, CMT, 646-3573.

MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTION, Debbie Veal, 921-9221, X282.

MESSAGE for the active male. Athletic, sore muscles, stress, soothing, sensuous, sensitive. Apts. 10am-10pm. Ray 455-4314 (x0415).

Wanted

NOW AND AGAIN buys good used button-up Levis 501's and Levi's jackets, 2101 L Street, Sacto.

MODERN SET of encyclopedias for MGW offices. 441-6397

V8 truck or van wanted. Cheap. 441-6397.

Subscribe to
MGW
Newspaper

classified/personals/business directory

Mail to: MGW 1725 L Street, Sacramento, CA, 95814

Heading _____

\$5

\$10

\$15

\$20

